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CUR1.	Generally speaking, would you say things in this country are heading in the right
	direction or in the wrong direction?

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-	1/09/09-	12/03/08-	11/06/08-	10/16/08-	09/05/08-
	4/20/09	2/17/09	1/14/09	12/08/08	11/10/08	10/20/08	09/10/08
Right direction	48	40	35	32	36	17	26
Wrong direction	44	49	54	60	56	78	70
Don't know	7	11	11	8	8	5	4
Refused	1	*	*	*	-	1	-
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,101	N=1,217

CUR2./

CUR3. Overall, please tell me whether you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president.

IF "APPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve? IF "DISAPPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove? IF "NEITHER," ASK: If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-	1/09/09-	12/03/08-
	4/20/09	2/17/09	1/14/09*	12/08/08*
Total Approve	64	67	74	73
Strongly approve	38	37	43	41
Somewhat approve	22	23	26	27
Lean approve	5	8	5	5
[VOL] Neither-don't lean	2	4	4	5
Total Disapprove	30	24	15	14
Lean disapprove	4	4	3	2
Somewhat disapprove	5	4	5	5
Strongly disapprove	22	16	7	6
Don't know	3	5	6	8
Refused	*	*	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,000

* NOTE: Trend comparisons based on the question worded, "Overall, please tell me whether you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the transition to the presidency."



CUR4./

CUR5. Overall, please tell me whether you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job.

IF "APPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve? IF "DISAPPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove? IF "NEITHER," ASK: If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Congress is handling its job?

	4/16/09- 4/20/09	2/12/09- 2/17/09	12/03/08- 12/08/08	11/06/08- 11/10/08	10/16/08- 10/20/08
Total Approve	38	31	24	21	22
Strongly approve	7	6	3	2	4
Somewhat approve	26	21	18	15	15
Lean approve	5	5	3	4	4
[VOL] Neither-don't lean	2	5	2	3	1
Total Disapprove	57	59	67	71	74
Lean disapprove	3	4	3	6	7
Somewhat disapprove	20	20	26	25	24
Strongly disapprove	34	35	38	40	43
Don't know	2	4	7	5	2
Refused	*	*	1	1	0
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,101



CURX1. How important are the following issues to you personally... Not at all important, slightly important, moderately important, very important or extremely important? How about... [READ EACH ITEM. RANDOMIZE]

[RANDOMIZE]	The economy	The situation in Iraq	Health care	Terrorism	The environment	Federal budget deficit	Energy	Taxes	Immigration	The situation in Afghanistan	Relationships with other countries	Unemployment	Gas prices
Total Important	91	66	79	75	64	71	68	68	58	63	68	85	64
Extremely important	53	29	41	43	32	38	29	33	30	28	28	46	33
Very important	38	37	38	32	33	33	40	35	28	36	40	39	31
Moderately important	7	22	16	18	23	20	26	25	26	24	21	11	26
Total unimportant	2	11	5	7	13	8	6	7	15	12	11	4	10
Slightly important	1	7	4	4	10	6	4	6	11	6	8	4	6
Not at all important	*	5	1	2	3	2	2	1	5	6	3	1	4
Don't know	-	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	1	*	-	*
Refused	-	*	*	-	-	-	-	*	*	-	-	-	-

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Based on: N=1,000



CURX2. And please tell me if you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove the way Barack Obama is handling each of the following issues. How about... [PROBE FOR APPROVE/DISAPPROVE: Strongly or somewhat?]

CURX2b.[IF DK OR REFUSED IN CURX2, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Barack Obama is handling... [INSERT ITEM]?

[RANDOMIZE]	The economy	The situation in Iraq	Health care	Terrorism	The environment	Federal budget deficit	Energy	Taxes	Immigration	The situation in Afghanistan	Relationships with other countries	Unemployment	Gas prices
Total approve	58	59	53	59	60	49	60	54	47	60	69	59	51
Strongly approve	30	28	28	31	29	23	28	27	18	27	41	28	19
Somewhat approve	28	31	25	28	31	26	32	27	29	33	27	30	32
Lean approve	*	1	1	1	1	*	*	*	1	*	*	*	1
Neither approve nor disapprove	6	12	16	13	19	8	16	11	19	12	9	12	22
Total disapprove	35	27	28	26	19	41	22	35	30	26	22	29	25
Lean disapprove	*	*	1	-	1	*	*	-	1	*	*	*	*
Somewhat disapprove	10	12	10	11	9	10	12	9	12	14	10	12	12
Strongly disapprove	25	15	18	16	10	31	10	26	19	12	12	17	14
Don't know	1	2	3	2	2	2	2	1	3	2	1	1	1
Refused	-	-	-	-	-	I	-	-	-	*	-	-	*

Based on: N=1,000



CURJ7. How well do you think Barack Obama understands the important issues the country will need to focus on during the next four years? Would you say...

	4/16/09-4/20/09	1/09/09-1/14/09
Extremely well	29	33
Very well	25	32
Somewhat well	25	21
Not too well	8	7
Not well at all	13	5
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	*	1
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001

CURJX. The following are phrases some people use to describe political leaders. For each phrase, please tell me if it describes BARACK OBAMA very well, somewhat well, slightly well, or not at all well. The first phrase is... [RANDOMIZE]

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-	1/09/09-
	4/20/09	2/17/09	1/14/09
Total Very/Somewhat Well	74	78	81
Very well	49	51	52
Somewhat well	25	27	29
Total Slightly/Not At All Well	26	21	18
Slightly well	10	9	7
Not at all well	16	12	11
Don't know	*	1	1
Refused	*	-	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001

He understands the problems of ordinary Americans...

Continues...



CURJX Continued...

He will keep America safe...

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-	1/09/09-
	4/20/09	2/17/09	1/14/09
Total Very/Somewhat Well	71	66	77
Very well	42	36	40
Somewhat well	29	30	37
Total Slightly/Not At All Well	28	29	21
Slightly well	10	13	9
Not at all well	18	16	12
Don't know	1	6	2
Refused	*	-	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001

He cares about people like you...

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-	1/09/09-
	4/20/09	2/17/09	1/14/09
Total Very/Somewhat Well	71	76	79
Very well	50	52	53
Somewhat well	21	24	26
Total Slightly/Not At All Well	28	22	19
Slightly well	8	9	7
Not at all well	19	13	12
Don't know	2	2	2
Refused	*	-	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001

He is a strong leader...

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-	1/09/09-
	4/20/09	2/17/09	1/14/09
Total Very/Somewhat Well	76	75	78
Very well	54	50	54
Somewhat well	21	25	24
Total Slightly/Not At All Well	23	21	17
Slightly well	8	10	8
Not at all well	16	11	9
Don't know	1	5	4
Refused	*	-	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001



[ROTATE CUR31/31a AND CUR32/CUR32a]

CUR31/31a. Overall, please tell me whether you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling the economy?

IF "APPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve?
IF "DISAPPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?
IF "NEITHER," ASK: If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling the economy?

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-
	4/20/09	2/17/09
Total Approve	50	49
Strongly approve	16	15
Somewhat approve	30	32
Lean approve	4	3
[VOL] Neither-don't lean	4	4
Total Disapprove	45	45
Total Disapprove Lean disapprove	45 3	45 4
Lean disapprove	3	4
Lean disapprove Somewhat disapprove	3 12	4
Lean disapprove Somewhat disapprove Strongly disapprove	3 12 30	4 15 26



CUR32./32a. Overall, please tell me whether you approve, disapprove, or neither approve nor disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling the economy?

IF "APPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve?
IF "DISAPPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?
IF "NEITHER," ASK: If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling the economy?

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	4/16/09-	2/12/09-
	4/20/09	2/17/09
Total Approve	29	33
Strongly approve	7	7
Somewhat approve	19	22
Neither/Lean approve	3	3
[VOL] Neither—don't lean	4	5
[VOL] Neither—don't lean Total Disapprove	4 65	5 59
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Total Disapprove	65	59
Total Disapprove Neither—lean disapprove	65 5	59
Total Disapprove Neither—lean disapprove Somewhat disapprove	65 5 21	59 5 21
Total Disapprove Neither—lean disapprove Somewhat disapprove Strongly disapprove	65 5 21	59 5 21 33

[RANDOMIZE CUR33 AND CUR33b]

CUR33. When it comes to solving the country's economic problems, how much do you think Barack Obama is doing to cooperate with the Republicans in Congress? Is he doing...

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES]

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-
	4/20/09	2/17/09
Too much	8	6
Not enough	36	30
About the right amount	53	62
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	2	2
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001



CUR33b. When it comes to solving the country's economic problems, how much do you think Republicans in Congress are doing to cooperate with Barack Obama? Are they doing...

[RANDOMIZE RESPONSES]	4/16/09- 4/20/09	2/12/09- 2/17/09
Too much	7	5
Not enough	65	64
About the right amount	25	27
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	3	3
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*	1
Based on:	N=1,000	N=976

CURJ12.When it comes to improving the economy, do you think it is realistic to expect at least some noticeable results in the first year of the Obama administration, or do you think it will take longer than that to see any noticeable results?

	4/16/09-	1/09/09-
	4/20/09	1/14/09
Realistic to expect in the first year	27	27
Take longer than that	72	72
Don't know	1	1
Refused	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001

CUR34. Thinking about the stimulus package that was approved by Congress in February to help improve the economy, do you think that the stimulus package ...

	4/16/09- 4/20/09
Has helped bring about improvements to the economy	10
Did even more damage to the economy than would have happened otherwise	18
Had no real effect on the condition of the economy	14
It's too early to tell	57
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	1
Refused [DO NOT READ]	-
Based on:	N=1,000



CURJ16. As you may know, it is estimated that the federal budget deficit now exceeds one trillion dollars. If you had to choose, what do you think should be the HIGHER priority? [READ EACH ITEM.]

	4/16/09- 4/20/09
Increasing government spending on education, health care reform, and the development of alternative energy sources, even if that means the federal budget deficit will increase even more	49
Reducing the federal budget deficit by cutting spending, even if that means the government could not enact new programs on education, health care reform, and the development of alternative energy sources	43
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	7
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*
Based on:	N=1,000

[RANDOMIZE ORDER]

ECO7. How worried are you that increasing federal debt will harm the financial future of your children and grandchildren?

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	4/16/09-	1/09/09-	9/27/08-
	4/20/09	1/14/09	9/30/08
Very worried	49	45	42
Somewhat worried	30	34	37
Not too worried	12	13	11
Not at all worried	9	7	8
Don't know	*	1	*
Refused	-	*	*
Does not apply [DO NOT READ]	1	1	2
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,101



AFX. Do you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove of Barack Obama's decision to send more U.S. troops to Afghanistan?

FOR EACH "APPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve? FOR EACH "DISAPPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?

AFXb. [IF DK OR REFUSED IN AFX, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of Barack Obama's decision to send more troops to Afghanistan?

	4/16/09-
	4/20/09
Total Approve	53
Strongly approve	30
Somewhat approve	23
Lean approve	*
[VOL] Neither-don't lean	8
Total Disapprove	38
Lean disapprove	*
Somewhat disapprove	16
Strongly disapprove	22
Don't know	1
Refused	-
Based on:	N=1,000



IRX. Do you approve, disapprove or neither approve nor disapprove of Barack Obama's decision to end the combat role of U.S. troops and remove most but not all U.S. troops from Iraq by August 31, 2010?

FOR EACH "APPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly approve or somewhat approve? FOR EACH "DISAPPROVE," ASK: Is that strongly disapprove or somewhat disapprove?

IRXb. [IF DK OR REFUSED IN IRX, ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of Barack Obama's decision to end the combat role of U.S. troops and remove most but not all U.S. troops from Iraq by August 31, 2010?

	4/16/09- 4/20/09
Total Approve	74
Strongly approve	50
Somewhat approve	23
Lean approve	*
[VOL] Neither-don't lean	5
Total Disapprove	21
Lean disapprove	-
Somewhat disapprove	10
Strongly disapprove	11
Don't know	-
Refused	-
Based on:	N=1,000



IRX2.	Do you think the pace of the	nlanned withdrawal	of troops from Iraq is
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	4/16/09-
	4/20/09
Too fast	19
Too slow	24
About right	54
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	3
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*
Based on:	N=970

CURJ10. Compared to the administration of President George W. Bush, do you think the Obama administration so far has displayed higher ethical standards, lower ethical standards, or about the same level of ethical standards?

	4/16/09-
	4/20/09
Higher ethical standards	52
Same level	29
Lower ethical standards	18
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	2
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*
Based on:	N=1,000

CURX3. Barack Obama campaigned on a platform of "change." Do you think Barack Obama so far is living up to his promises to change the way things work in Washington, do you think he is breaking those promises, or is it too soon to tell?

	4/16/09-
	4/20/09
Living up to those promises	30
Too soon to tell	54
Breaking those promises	15
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	*
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*
Based on:	N=1,000



CURX4. Do you think Barack Obama's administration is...

	4/16/09-
	4/20/09
Trying to change too many things too quickly	32
Changing things about the right amount at the right speed	52
Not changing enough things quickly enough	14
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	3
Refused [DO NOT READ]	-
Based on:	N=1,000

CURX5. Do you think Barack Obama is on television...

	4/16/09-
	4/20/09
Too much	28
About the right amount	59
Too little	10
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	3
Refused [DO NOT READ]	1
Based on:	N=1,000



[RANDOMIZE CURX6 and CURX7]

CURX6. Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neither favorable nor unfavorable impression of Michelle Obama? Is that extremely [favorable/unfavorable] or somewhat [favorable/unfavorable]

	4/16/09- 4/20/09
Total Favorable	63
Extremely favorable	35
Somewhat favorable	28
Neither favorable nor unfavorable	27
Total Unfavorable	8
Somewhat unfavorable	5
Extremely unfavorable	4
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	2
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*
Based on:	N=1,000

CURX7. Do you have a favorable, unfavorable or neither favorable nor unfavorable impression of Hillary Clinton? Is that extremely [favorable/unfavorable] or somewhat [favorable/unfavorable]?

	4/16/09- 4/20/09
Total Favorable	52
Extremely favorable	24
Somewhat favorable	29
Neither favorable nor unfavorable	20
Total Unfavorable	27
Somewhat unfavorable	12
Extremely unfavorable	15
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	1
Refused [DO NOT READ]	*
Based on:	N=1,000



would you say that now is a good of bad time to invest in the stock market.				
	4/16/09-	12/03/08-	11/06/08-	10/16/08-
	4/20/09	12/08/08	11/10/08	10/20/08
Good time to invest	41	33	39	38
Bad time	53	58	51	58
Don't know	5	9	10	4
Refused	*	*	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,101

ECO1. Would you say that now is a good or bad time to invest in the stock market?

ECO2. And would you say that now is a good or bad time to invest in real estate?

	4/16/09-	12/03/08-	11/06/08-	10/16/08-
	4/20/09	12/08/08	11/10/08	10/20/08
Good time to invest	64	56	55	53
Bad time	32	37	38	43
Don't know	4	7	6	4
Refused	-	*	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,101

CUR35. How easy or difficult is it for you and your family to get ahead financially these days? Would you say...

	4/16/09- 4/20/09	2/12/09- 2/17/09
Total Difficult	65	68
Very difficult	30	34
Somewhat difficult	36	35
Neither easy nor difficult	19	18
Total Easy	15	14
Somewhat easy	12	11
Very easy	3	3
Don't know	-	*
Refused	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001



CUR36. How much do you worry about each of the following? Do you worry a lot, some, not much, or not at all about... [RANDOMIZE ORDER]

Facing major unexpected medical expenses			
	4/16/09-4/20/09	2/12/09-2/17/09	
Total Worry A Lot/Some	65	64	
Worry a lot	38	38	
Some	27	26	
Total Not Much/Not At All	35	35	
Not much	10	16	
Not at all	25	19	
Don't know	-	*	
Refused	-	*	
Does not apply [DO NOT READ]	1	1	
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	

Facing major unexpected medical expenses.

Losing your job...

	4/16/09-4/20/09	2/12/09-2/17/09
Total Worry A Lot/Some	44	47
Worry a lot	27	28
Some	18	19
Total Not Much/Not At All	35	32
Not much	9	10
Not at all	26	22
Don't know	-	*
Refused	-	*
Does not apply [DO NOT READ]	21	21
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001

Seeing the value of your stocks and retirement investments drop...

	4/16/09-4/20/09	2/12/09-2/17/09
Total Worry A Lot/Some	64	69
Worry a lot	41	48
Some	23	21
Total Not Much/Not At All	23	19
Not much	8	7
Not at all	16	12
Don't know	-	*
Refused	-	*
Does not apply [DO NOT READ]	12	12
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001





CUR36 Continues...

Being unable to pay your bills...

	4/16/09-4/20/09	2/12/09-2/17/09
Total Worry A Lot/Some	60	65
Worry a lot	34	38
Some	26	26
Total Not Much/Not At All	39	35
Not much	10	12
Not at all	29	22
Don't know	*	-
Refused	-	*
Does not apply [DO NOT READ]	1	1
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001

Having enough money to send your children to college...

	4/16/09-4/20/09	2/12/09-2/17/09
Total Worry A Lot/Some	50	48
Worry a lot	33	34
Some	16	14
Total Not Much/Not At All	25	21
Not much	6	5
Not at all	20	16
Don't know	-	*
Refused	-	*
Does not apply [DO NOT READ]	25	31
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001

Being unable to keep up with your mortgage and credit card payments...

	4/16/09-4/20/09	2/12/09-2/17/09
Total Worry A Lot/Some	47	53
Worry a lot	28	32
Some	19	22
Total Not Much/Not At All	44	37
Not much	11	11
Not at all	33	26
Don't know	-	-
Refused	-	*
Does not apply [DO NOT READ]	9	9
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001



CUR37. Looking ahead to your retirement, how confident are you that you will have enough money to live comfortably in retirement?

	4/16/09- 4/20/09	2/12/09- 2/17/09
Total Confident	51	44
Very confident	13	10
Somewhat confident	38	35
Total Not Confident	46	53
Not too confident	22	22
Not at all confident	25	31
Don't know	3	3
Refused	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001

CUR38. Thinking of the last 6 months, that is since October of last year, have you or someone in your family lost a job as a result of economic conditions, or not?

4/16/09-	2/12/09-
4/20/09	2/17/09
8	10
25	25
62	65
4	1
*	*
*	-
N=1,000	N=1,001
	4/20/09 8 25 62 4 * *

CUR39. And thinking of the last 6 months, that is since October of last year, has someone you know personally, other than a family member, lost a job as a result of economic conditions, or not?

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-
	4/20/09	2/17/09
Yes	67	65
No	33	35
Don't know [DO NOT READ]	1	1
Refused [DO NOT READ]	-	-
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001



PID1. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or none of these?

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-	1/09/09-	12/03/08-	11/06/08-
	4/20/09	2/17/09	1/14/09	12/08/08	11/10/08
Total Democrat	36	38	39	36	40
Total Republican	18	22	21	26	24
[VOL] Independent	26	23	22	23	23
[VOL] None	18	16	17	14	12
Don't know	*	*	1	1	1
Refused	1	*	*	*	*
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,000	N=1,001

PARTY ID INITIAL RESPONSE:

PID1/

PID2.

Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent, or none of these?

IF "Democrat," ASK: Do you consider yourself a strong or moderate Democrat? IF "Republican," ASK: Do you consider yourself a strong or moderate Republican? IF "Independent" OR "None," ASK: Do you lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

PARTY ID WITH LEANERS:

	4/16/09-	2/12/09-	1/09/09-	12/03/08-	11/06/08-
	4/20/09	2/17/09	1/14/09	12/08/08	11/10/08
Total Democrat	46	46	47	44	48
Democrat – strong	16	18	19	17	21
Democrat –	20	20	18	19	19
moderate	20	20	10	19	19
Independent – lean	10	9	9	8	8
Democratic	10	7	7	0	0
None – lean	*	*	1	1	
Democratic			1	1	-
Total Republican	28	30	27	33	34
Republican –	9	9	8	13	13
strong	7	7	0	15	15
Republican –	9	13	12	13	11
moderate	7	15	12	15	
Independent – lean	9	8	7	7	10
Republican	7	0	/	/	10
None – lean	*	*	1	*	_
Republican					-



[VOL] Independent – don't lean	7	6	7	8	5
[VOL] None – don't lean	-	-	-	-	-
[VOL] Other	*	*	*	*	-
Don't know	19	17	18	15	14
Refused	-	-	-	-	-
Based on:	N=1,000	N=1,001	N=1,001	N=1,000	N=1,001



The following questions are for classification purposes only. Be assured that your responses will be aggregated with those of other participants to this survey.

Married/Living as married/Co-habitating	58
Separated	3
Divorced	11
Widowed	6
Never married	21
Don't know	*
Refused	1
Based on:	N=1,000

DM1. What is your marital status? Are you... [ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]

DM2. What is the last grade of school you completed?

Less than high school graduate	13
High school graduate	30
Technical/trade school	5
Some college	24
College graduate	16
Some graduate school	2
Graduate degree	10
Don't know	*
Refused	*
Based on:	N=1,000

DM4. In what year were you born?

Age group:	
18-29	20
30-49	37
50-64	23
65+	18
Refused	2
Based on:	N=1,000



DM5. Which one of the following best describes where you live?

Urban area	25
Suburban area	41
Rural area	31
Don't know	3
Refused	1
Based on:	N=1,000

DM6. Do you currently own your home, rent it, or do you have some other arrangement?

Own	66
Rent	23
Other arrangement	10
Don't know	1
Refused	1
Based on:	N=1,000

DM7. Are you the parent or guardian of one or more children under the age of 18, or not?

Yes	40
No	60
Don't know	*
Refused	*
Based on:	N=1,000

DM8. How many different landline telephone numbers, if any, are there in your home that I could have reached you on for this call? This includes listed or unlisted numbers. To answer this question, please don't count cell phones or landlines used ONLY for faxes or modems.

No lines	19
One Line	75
Two lines	4
Three or more lines	1
Don't know	1
Refused	*
Based on:	N=1,000



DM9. And on how many different <u>cell</u>-phone numbers, if any, could I have reached you for this call?

None	17
One	52
Тwo	18
Three or more	11
Don't know	1
Refused	1
Based on:	N=1,000

DM10. [IF BOTH LAND AND CELLPHONE, ASK:] Generally speaking, would you say you use your landline phone most of the time, your cell phone most of the time, or would you say you use both about equally?

Landline	31
Cell phone	35
Both equally	34
Don't know	*
Refused	*
Based on:	N=694

DM10a. How many adults, in addition to you, carry and use this cell phone at least once a week or more?

None	48
One	32
Тwo	9
Three or more	8
Don't know	2
Refused	2
Based on:	N=200

DM12. Do you consider yourself a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

Yes, born-again/evangelical	39
No	58
Don't know	2
Refused	2
Based on:	N=1,000



DM13. What is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, some other religion, or don't you belong to any religious denomination?

Protestant	33
Catholic	23
Mormon	2
Jewish	1
Muslim	*
Other religion [SPECIFY]	16
Don't belong to religious denomination	22
Don't know	*
Refused	3
Based on:	N=1,000

DM14. [IF "OTHER RELIGION" IN DM13, ASK:] Do you consider yourself a Christian, or not?

Yes, a Christian	79
No, not a Christian	21
Don't know	-
Refused	-
Based on:	N=144

DM15. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services? Would you say more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, less often than a few times a year, or never?

More than once a week	10
Once a week	26
Once or twice a month	15
A few times a year	20
Less often than a few times a year	12
Never	15
Don't know	1
Refused	3
Based on:	N=1,000



DM16. [ASK EVERYONE] Are you Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino?

Yes	13
No	85
Don't know	*
Refused	2
Based on:	N=1,000

- DM17. [IF SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO [D16=1], ASK:] In addition to being Spanish, Hispanic, or Latino, what race or races do you consider yourself to be? [DO NOT READ. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]
- DM18. [IF <u>NOT</u> SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO [D16=2], ASK:] What race or races do you consider yourself to be? [DO NOT READ. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]

White	73
Black, African-American, or Negro	11
American Indian or Alaska Native	1
Asian Indian	1
Native Hawaiian	-
Chinese	*
Guamanian or Chamorro	-
Filipino	*
Samoan	-
Japanese	-
Korean	*
Vietnamese	-
Other Asian	*
Other Pacific Islander	*
Some other race [SPECIFY]	8
Don't know	1
Refused	4
Multiple races [DO NOT READ]	1
Based on:	N=1,000



DM19. Does your total household [IF SINGLE: "PERSONAL"] income fall below \$50,000 dollars, or is it \$50,000 or higher? [READ LIST]

Below \$50,000	47
\$50,000+	44
Don't know	3
Refused	6
Based on:	N=1,000

DM20. And in which group does your total household [IF SINGLE: "PERSONAL"] income fall? [READ LIST]

Under \$10,000	6
\$10,000 to under \$20,000	11
\$20,000 to under \$30,000	11
\$30,000 to under \$40,000	9
\$40,000 to under \$50,000	9
\$50,000 to under \$75,000	17
\$75,000 to under \$100,000	11
\$100,000 to under \$150,000	9
\$150,000 or more	5
Don't know	4
Refused	9
Based on:	N=1,000

DM21. Do you currently own stocks, bonds, or mutual funds?

Yes	41
No	55
Don't know	1
Refused	4
Based on:	N=1,000



[ASK DM21 ONLY IF YES IN DM21:]

DM22. In the past 12 months, how many times did you make changes in your investments buying or selling stocks or mutual funds either within or outside an employer-sponsored 401K plan? Would you say...

1	15
2	11
3	6
4	3
5-9 times	6
10-14 times	4
15-19 times	*
20-24	1
25 times or more	2
None	48
Don't know	4
Refused	1
Based on:	N=1,000

DM25. INTERVIEWER RECORD Respondent's Gender:

Male	49
Female	51
Based on:	N=1,000

REGION:

Northeast	18
Midwest	23
South	36
West	23
Based on:	N=1,000



AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted April 16th – 20th, 2009, by GfK Roper Public Affairs & Media – a division of GfK Custom Research North America. This telephone poll is based on a nationally-representative probability sample of 1,000 adults age 18 or older. The interviews were conducted with 800 respondents on landlines and 200 on cellular telephones. Both the landline and cell phone samples were provided by Survey Sampling International. The survey sample included the contiguous 48 states, Alaska and Hawaii. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish.

The combined landline and cell phone data were weighted to account for probabilities of selection, as well as age, sex, education and race, using targets from the March 2008 supplement of the Current Population Survey. In addition to these factors, the weighting takes into account the patterns of land and cell phone usage by region from the 2008 Spring estimates provided by Mediamark Research Inc.

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 3.1 percentage points at the 95% confidence level, for results based on the entire sample of adults. The margin of sampling error is higher and varies for results based on sub-samples. In our reporting of the findings, percentage points are rounded off to the nearest whole number. As a result, percentages in a given table column may total slightly higher or lower than 100%. In questions that permit multiple responses, columns may total significantly more than 100%, depending on the number of different responses offered by each respondent.

Trend data are displayed for selected questions from previous AP-GfK Polls that also consisted of telephone interviews with nationally-representative probability samples of adults age 18 or older. Details about all AP-GfK Polls are available at <u>http://www.ap-gfkpoll.com</u>.

