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**A telephone survey of the American general population (ages 18+)**

*Interview dates: June 14– 18, 2012*

*Number of interviews: 1,007*

*Number of registered voters: 878*

*Margin of error for the total sample: +/- 4.0 percentage points at the 95% confidence level*

*Margin of error for registered voters: +/- 4.2 percentage points at the 95% confidence level*

*NOTE: All results show percentages among all respondents, unless otherwise labeled.*

*Please refer to the exact sample number at the bottom of each table.*

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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?

|                  | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11 | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL<br>10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS<br>10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | 5/7-11/10 | HIGH 4/16-20/09 | LOW 10/16-20/08 |
|------------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|
| Right direction  | 31         | 37       | 39         | 26         | 24          | 21         | 33         | 45       | 35         | 37        | 37        | 38                   | 39                           | 40        | 35         | 37        | 35        | 48              | 17              |
| Wrong direction  | 60         | 56       | 57         | 70         | 72          | 75         | 63         | 52       | 62         | 57        | 58        | 59                   | 59                           | 57        | 60         | 60        | 59        | 44              | 78              |
| Don't know [VOL] | 8          | 7        | 3          | 4          | 5           | 4          | 3          | 3        | 3          | 6         | 5         | 3                    | 3                            | 2         | 4          | 2         | 5         | 7               | 5               |
| Refused [VOL]    | 1          | *        | 1          | *          | *           | *          | 1          | *        | *          | 1         | *         | 1                    | -                            | -         | 1          | *         | *         | 1               | 1               |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,002 N=1,000 N=1,101

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," DK NOR REFUSED 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?

|                          | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL<br>10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS<br>10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | 5/7-11/10 | 4/7-12/10 | HIGH 2/12-17/09 | LOW 12/8-12/11 |
|--------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------------|----------------|
| <b>Total approve</b>     | <b>49</b>  | <b>53</b> | <b>49</b>  | <b>44</b>  | <b>46</b>   | <b>46</b>  | <b>52</b>  | <b>60</b> | <b>53</b>  | <b>53</b> | <b>47</b> | <b>49</b>            | <b>45</b>                    | <b>49</b> | <b>49</b>  | <b>50</b> | <b>49</b> | <b>49</b> | <b>67</b>       | <b>44</b>      |
| Strongly approve         | 23         | 24        | 26         | 19         | 20          | 19         | 24         | 32        | 24         | 24        | 24        | 23                   | 29                           | 22        | 23         | 24        | 23        | 24        | 37              | 19             |
| Somewhat approve         | 22         | 23        | 17         | 20         | 20          | 20         | 21         | 23        | 25         | 23        | 20        | 21                   | 14                           | 23        | 21         | 20        | 21        | 22        | 23              | 20             |
| Lean approve             | 5          | 7         | 6          | 6          | 5           | 6          | 6          | 6         | 5          | 6         | 3         | 5                    | 2                            | 4         | 5          | 5         | 5         | 4         | 8               | 6              |
| Neither—don't lean [VOL] | <b>2</b>   | <b>1</b>  | *          | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>    | <b>1</b>   | *          | <b>1</b>  | <b>2</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>             | *                            | *         | *          | <b>1</b>  | *         | <b>1</b>  | <b>4</b>        | <b>1</b>       |
| <b>Total disapprove</b>  | <b>48</b>  | <b>46</b> | <b>49</b>  | <b>54</b>  | <b>52</b>   | <b>52</b>  | <b>47</b>  | <b>39</b> | <b>45</b>  | <b>46</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>50</b>            | <b>54</b>                    | <b>50</b> | <b>50</b>  | <b>49</b> | <b>50</b> | <b>50</b> | <b>24</b>       | <b>54</b>      |
| Lean disapprove          | 5          | 3         | 5          | 4          | 4           | 3          | 4          | 4         | 5          | 5         | 4         | 4                    | 1                            | 5         | 4          | 5         | 5         | 3         | 4               | 4              |
| Somewhat disapprove      | 9          | 10        | 10         | 12         | 12          | 13         | 12         | 10        | 11         | 12        | 12        | 12                   | 10                           | 12        | 10         | 13        | 12        | 10        | 4               | 12             |
| Strongly disapprove      | 35         | 32        | 34         | 38         | 36          | 36         | 30         | 25        | 29         | 29        | 35        | 35                   | 43                           | 33        | 36         | 31        | 33        | 36        | 16              | 38             |
| Don't know [VOL]         | 1          | *         | 1          | 1          | 1           | 1          | 1          | *         | *          | 1         | 1         | 1                    | 1                            | 1         | 1          | *         | 1         | *         | 5               | 1              |
| Refused [VOL]            | *          | *         | *          | *          | *           | *          | *          | *         | *          | *         | 1         | *                    | *                            | *         | *          | -         | *         | *         | *               | *              |

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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," DK NOR REFUSED ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward approving or disapproving of the way Congress is handling its job?

|                             | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL<br>10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS<br>10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | 5/7-11/10 | 4/7-12/10 | HIGH<br>5/28-6/1/09 | LOW<br>8/18-22/11 |
|-----------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|---------------------|-------------------|
| <b>Total approve</b>        | <b>22</b>  | <b>18</b> | <b>19</b>  | <b>15</b>  | <b>16</b>   | <b>12</b>  | <b>21</b>  | <b>30</b> | <b>27</b>  | <b>26</b> | <b>26</b> | <b>23</b>            | <b>20</b>                    | <b>26</b> | <b>24</b>  | <b>24</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>28</b> | <b>38</b>           | <b>12</b>         |
| Strongly approve            | 4          | 3         | 4          | 2          | 3           | 2          | 4          | 4         | 4          | 4         | 3         | 4                    | 4                            | 3         | 4          | 5         | 6         | 4         | 5                   | 2                 |
| Somewhat approve            | 13         | 13        | 13         | 11         | 11          | 8          | 16         | 23        | 19         | 18        | 20        | 17                   | 15                           | 19        | 17         | 17        | 20        | 20        | 28                  | 8                 |
| Lean approve                | 5          | 2         | 3          | 2          | 3           | 1          | 2          | 4         | 4          | 3         | 3         | 2                    | 1                            | 4         | 3          | 3         | 2         | 4         | 5                   | 1                 |
| Neither—don't lean<br>[VOL] | <b>2</b>   | <b>2</b>  | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>    | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>             | *                            | *         | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>3</b>            | <b>1</b>          |
| <b>Total disapprove</b>     | <b>75</b>  | <b>78</b> | <b>78</b>  | <b>84</b>  | <b>82</b>   | <b>87</b>  | <b>76</b>  | <b>68</b> | <b>71</b>  | <b>69</b> | <b>71</b> | <b>75</b>            | <b>79</b>                    | <b>73</b> | <b>74</b>  | <b>73</b> | <b>71</b> | <b>70</b> | <b>55</b>           | <b>87</b>         |
| Lean disapprove             | 7          | 4         | 4          | 5          | 3           | 3          | 5          | 4         | 7          | 5         | 4         | 5                    | 3                            | 4         | 4          | 6         | 4         | 5         | 5                   | 3                 |
| Somewhat disapprove         | 23         | 24        | 23         | 24         | 23          | 24         | 27         | 28        | 26         | 26        | 24        | 26                   | 23                           | 23        | 24         | 22        | 24        | 18        | 19                  | 24                |
| Strongly disapprove         | 46         | 50        | 52         | 55         | 56          | 60         | 44         | 36        | 38         | 38        | 43        | 44                   | 53                           | 47        | 46         | 45        | 43        | 47        | 31                  | 60                |
| Don't know [VOL]            | 1          | 2         | 1          | 1          | 1           | *          | 1          | 1         | 1          | 4         | 3         | 1                    | 1                            | 1         | 1          | 1         | 1         | 1         | 4                   | *                 |
| Refused [VOL]               | *          | 1         | *          | *          | *           | *          | 1          | *         | *          | *         | *         | *                    | -                            | *         | *          | -         | *         | -         | *                   | *                 |

Dem/Rep      R=1,007    R=1,004    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=496    R=1,000    R=1,007    R=1,004    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000    R=1,000



ELE37/

ELE38. In the election for president in November 2012, if the candidates are (Barack Obama, the Democrat) and (Mitt Romney, the Republican), for whom will you vote? [IF NEITHER/DK/REF: Do you lean more toward (Obama) or more toward (Romney)?]

|                     | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|
| <b>Total Obama</b>  | <b>48</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>47</b>  | <b>48</b>   |
| Initial Obama       | 45         | 48        | 49         | 45         | 47          |
| Lean Obama          | 3          | 3         | 1          | 2          | 1           |
| <b>Neither</b>      | <b>8</b>   | <b>6</b>  | <b>5</b>   | <b>7</b>   | <b>5</b>    |
| <b>Total Romney</b> | <b>42</b>  | <b>41</b> | <b>43</b>  | <b>46</b>  | <b>45</b>   |
| Initial Romney      | 37         | 36        | 38         | 43         | 42          |
| Lean Romney         | 5          | 4         | 5          | 3          | 3           |
| Don't know [VOL]    | 2          | 2         | 2          | 1          | 2           |
| Refused [VOL]       | *          | 1         | *          | *          | *           |

Based on:

N=1,007

N=1,004

N=1,000

N=1,000

N=1,000

**Registered voters:**

|                     | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  |
|---------------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>Total Obama</b>  | <b>47</b>  | <b>50</b> |
| Initial Obama       | 44         | 47        |
| Lean Obama          | 3          | 3         |
| <b>Neither</b>      | <b>8</b>   | <b>5</b>  |
| <b>Total Romney</b> | <b>44</b>  | <b>42</b> |
| Initial Romney      | 40         | 39        |
| Lean Romney         | 4          | 3         |
| Don't know [VOL]    | 2          | 2         |
| Refused [VOL]       | *          | 1         |

Based on:

N=878

N=871

ELE38a. [IF INITIAL OBAMA/ROMNEY SUPPORTER IN ELE37] Would you say you are certain to vote for [INSERT ANSWER FROM ELE37] or is there a chance you could change your mind?

|                               | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Certain to vote for candidate | 85         | 82       |
| Chance could change mind      | 15         | 18       |
| Don't know                    | *          | 1        |
| Refused                       | *          | *        |

Based on:

N=837

N=852

**Obama supporters:**

|                               | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Certain to vote for candidate | 83         | 83       |
| Chance could change mind      | 16         | 17       |
| Don't know                    | *          | 1        |
| Refused                       | *          | -        |

Based on:

N=440

N=466

**Romney supporters:**

|                               | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Certain to vote for candidate | 86         | 80       |
| Chance could change mind      | 14         | 19       |
| Don't know                    | *          | 1        |
| Refused                       | -          | *        |

Based on:

N=397

N=386

**Registered voters:**

|                               | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 |
|-------------------------------|------------|----------|
| Certain to vote for candidate | 88         | 85       |
| Chance could change mind      | 12         | 14       |
| Don't know                    | *          | 1        |
| Refused                       | -          | -        |

Based on:

N=741

N=755

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

CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR 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]?

| The economy...                        | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL<br>10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS<br>10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | High: 4/16-20/09 | Low: 8/18-22/11 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Total approve</b>                  | <b>44</b>  | <b>46</b> | <b>48</b>  | <b>39</b>  | <b>40</b>   | <b>36</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>52</b> | <b>47</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>41</b> | <b>43</b>            | <b>42</b>                    | <b>42</b> | <b>41</b>  | <b>45</b> | <b>58</b>        | <b>36</b>       |
| Strongly approve                      | 17         | 16        | 24         | 14         | 14          | 11         | 14         | 21        | 18         | 18        | 16        | 15                   | 17                           | 17        | 16         | 18        | 30               | 11              |
| Somewhat approve                      | 25         | 27        | 23         | 24         | 24          | 24         | 26         | 30        | 27         | 28        | 24        | 28                   | 23                           | 23        | 26         | 27        | 28               | 24              |
| Lean approve                          | 1          | 3         | 2          | 1          | 2           | 1          | 1          | 2         | 2          | 1         | 1         | 2                    | 2                            | 2         | -          | -         | *                | 1               |
| <b>Neither approve nor disapprove</b> | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>*</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>*</b>    | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>*</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>*</b>             | <b>*</b>                     | <b>1</b>  | <b>3</b>   | <b>5</b>  | <b>6</b>         | <b>1</b>        |
| <b>Total disapprove</b>               | <b>55</b>  | <b>52</b> | <b>50</b>  | <b>60</b>  | <b>60</b>   | <b>63</b>  | <b>59</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>53</b>  | <b>53</b> | <b>58</b> | <b>55</b>            | <b>58</b>                    | <b>58</b> | <b>56</b>  | <b>50</b> | <b>35</b>        | <b>63</b>       |
| Lean disapprove                       | 1          | 1         | 1          | 2          | 1           | 1          | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1         | 1         | 2                    | 1                            | 2         | *          | *         | *                | 1               |
| Somewhat disapprove                   | 12         | 13        | 11         | 15         | 13          | 14         | 17         | 15        | 17         | 14        | 17        | 13                   | 12                           | 16        | 15         | 16        | 10               | 14              |
| Strongly disapprove                   | 41         | 38        | 38         | 43         | 46          | 48         | 40         | 31        | 35         | 38        | 40        | 40                   | 45                           | 39        | 41         | 34        | 25               | 48              |
| Don't know [VOL]                      | 1          | 1         | 1          | *          | *           | *          | *          | 1         | -          | -         | *         | *                    | -                            | -         | -          | -         | 1                | *               |
| Refused [VOL]                         | -          | *         | *          | *          | *           | *          | -          | -         | -          | -         | -         | *                    | *                            | -         | *          | -         | -                | *               |

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This item from CURX2/CURX2b previously released

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

CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR 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?]

| Health care...                        | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12* | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL<br>10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS<br>10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | High: 5/5-9/11 | Low: 9/3-8/09 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|----------------|---------------|
| <b>Total approve</b>                  | <b>48</b>  | <b>48</b> | <b>48</b>  | <b>44</b>  | <b>45</b>   | <b>46</b>  | <b>45</b>  | <b>54</b> | <b>52</b>  | <b>51</b> | <b>48</b> | <b>47</b>            | <b>46</b>                    | <b>50</b> | <b>45</b>  | <b>49</b> | <b>54</b>      | <b>42</b>     |
| Strongly approve                      | 24         | 25        | 25         | 21         | 24          | 23         | 24         | 29        | 27         | 29        | 25        | 26                   | 27                           | 26        | 24         | 29        | 29             | 22            |
| Somewhat approve                      | 21         | 21        | 21         | 23         | 21          | 22         | 20         | 24        | 24         | 20        | 22        | 19                   | 18                           | 22        | 21         | 20        | 24             | 19            |
| Lean approve                          | 3          | 3         | 2          | *          | 1           | 1          | 1          | 1         | 1          | 2         | 1         | 2                    | 1                            | 2         | *          | *         | 1              | 1             |
| <b>Neither approve nor disapprove</b> | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>*</b>   | <b>*</b>   | <b>1</b>    | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>*</b>  | <b>*</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>*</b>             | <b>*</b>                     | <b>*</b>  | <b>2</b>   | <b>4</b>  | <b>*</b>       | <b>6</b>      |
| <b>Total disapprove</b>               | <b>50</b>  | <b>50</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>55</b>  | <b>54</b>   | <b>53</b>  | <b>54</b>  | <b>46</b> | <b>48</b>  | <b>49</b> | <b>51</b> | <b>53</b>            | <b>54</b>                    | <b>50</b> | <b>53</b>  | <b>46</b> | <b>46</b>      | <b>52</b>     |
| Lean disapprove                       | 2          | 2         | 1          | 1          | 1           | 1          | 1          | 1         | 2          | 1         | 1         | 1                    | 1                            | 1         | -          | -         | 1              | *             |
| Somewhat disapprove                   | 9          | 11        | 9          | 13         | 10          | 11         | 12         | 11        | 10         | 11        | 10        | 9                    | 4                            | 11        | 11         | 10        | 11             | 10            |
| Strongly disapprove                   | 39         | 37        | 41         | 40         | 42          | 42         | 41         | 34        | 37         | 37        | 40        | 43                   | 49                           | 39        | 42         | 36        | 34             | 43            |
| Don't know [VOL]                      | 1          | 1         | *          | 1          | *           | *          | *          | *         | -          | -         | *         | -                    | -                            | -         | -          | -         | *              | *             |
| Refused [VOL]                         | *          | -         | *          | -          | *           | *          | -          | -         | -          | -         | -         | -                    | -                            | -         | -          | -         | -              | -             |

Based on: N=1,007 N=536 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,001 N=1,001

\*Asked of half the sample

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

CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR 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]?

| Unemployment...                       | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12* | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL<br>10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS<br>10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | High: 4/16-20/09 | Low: 10/13-17/11 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------------|------------------|
| <b>Total approve</b>                  | <b>45</b>  | <b>48</b> | <b>49</b>  | <b>45</b>  | <b>40</b>   | <b>40</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>52</b> | <b>49</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>43</b> | <b>45</b>            | <b>41</b>                    | <b>42</b> | <b>43</b>  | <b>42</b> | <b>59</b>        | <b>40</b>        |
| Strongly approve                      | 18         | 19        | 23         | 16         | 16          | 13         | 12         | 18        | 19         | 19        | 16        | 14                   | 15                           | 16        | 16         | 16        | 28               | 16               |
| Somewhat approve                      | 24         | 24        | 25         | 26         | 22          | 25         | 26         | 31        | 29         | 26        | 25        | 28                   | 24                           | 23        | 28         | 26        | 30               | 22               |
| Lean approve                          | 3          | 4         | 1          | 2          | 2           | 2          | 3          | 3         | 2          | 2         | 2         | 2                    | 2                            | 3         | *          | *         | *                | 2                |
| <b>Neither approve nor disapprove</b> | <b>1</b>   | <b>2</b>  | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>    | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>   | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>  | <b>1</b>             | <b>1</b>                     | <b>1</b>  | <b>6</b>   | <b>11</b> | <b>12</b>        | <b>1</b>         |
| <b>Total disapprove</b>               | <b>52</b>  | <b>49</b> | <b>49</b>  | <b>53</b>  | <b>59</b>   | <b>59</b>  | <b>59</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>50</b>  | <b>52</b> | <b>56</b> | <b>54</b>            | <b>58</b>                    | <b>58</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>29</b>        | <b>59</b>        |
| Lean disapprove                       | 3          | 4         | 2          | 2          | 2           | 1          | 2          | 2         | 2          | 2         | 3         | 2                    | 2                            | 2         | *          | *         | *                | 2                |
| Somewhat disapprove                   | 12         | 14        | 14         | 16         | 15          | 15         | 18         | 17        | 17         | 18        | 19        | 16                   | 13                           | 21        | 15         | 15        | 12               | 15               |
| Strongly disapprove                   | 37         | 32        | 34         | 35         | 42          | 43         | 39         | 28        | 31         | 32        | 35        | 37                   | 44                           | 35        | 35         | 32        | 17               | 42               |
| Don't know [VOL]                      | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1          | 1           | *          | 1          | 1         | *          | *         | *         | *                    | -                            | -         | *          | *         | 1                | 1                |
| Refused [VOL]                         | 1          | *         | *          | -          | *           | -          | -          | *         | -          | -         | -         | *                    | -                            | *         | -          | -         | -                | *                |

Based on: N=1,007 N=468 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,000 N=1,501 N=846 N=1,000 N=1,007 N=1,044 N=1,000 N=1,000

\*Asked of half the sample

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

CURX2b. [IF NEITHER, DK NOR 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]?

| <b>The situation in Syria ...</b>     | 6/14-18/12 |
|---------------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Total approve</b>                  | <b>40</b>  |
| Strongly approve                      | 13         |
| Somewhat approve                      | 19         |
| Lean approve                          | 9          |
| <b>Neither approve nor disapprove</b> | <b>6</b>   |
| <b>Total disapprove</b>               | <b>43</b>  |
| Lean disapprove                       | 6          |
| Somewhat disapprove                   | 12         |
| Strongly disapprove                   | 24         |
| Don't know [VOL]                      | 10         |
| Refused [VOL]                         | 1          |

Based on:

N=1,007

*Some items held for later release*

ELE41. Regardless of how you might vote, do you think President Barack Obama... [READ LIST, RANDOMIZE ORDER]

|                             | 6/14-18/12 | 12/8-12/11 |
|-----------------------------|------------|------------|
| Will be re-elected          | 56         | 49         |
| Will be voted out of office | 35         | 48         |
| Don't know [VOL]            | 9          | 4          |
| Refused [VOL]               | *          | -          |

Based on:

N=1,007

N=1,000

PRES3. Regardless of whom you may support, who do you trust to do a better job of ... (INSERT ITEM), (ROTATE: Barack Obama OR Mitt Romney)?

| <b>Handling the economy</b> | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 |
|-----------------------------|------------|----------|
| Barack Obama                | 46         | 46       |
| Mitt Romney                 | 45         | 44       |
| Neither [VOL]               | 6          | 4        |
| Don't know [VOL]            | 3          | 6        |
| Refused [VOL]               | *          | *        |

Based on:

N=1,007

N=1,004

| <b>Handling healthcare</b> | 6/14-18/12 |
|----------------------------|------------|
| Barack Obama               | 49         |
| Mitt Romney                | 40         |
| Neither [VOL]              | 7          |
| Don't know [VOL]           | 4          |
| Refused [VOL]              | *          |

Based on:

N=1,007

One item from PRES3 held for later release

PRES5. How much of an impact, if any, do you think the outcome of the November presidential election will have on each of the following issues? First/next [ITEM], do you think the outcome of the presidential election will have a great deal of impact, a lot of impact, just some impact, a little impact or have no impact at all on [ITEM]?

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| <b>The economy ...</b>           | 6/14-18/12 |
| <b>A great deal/A lot</b>        | <b>48</b>  |
| A great deal                     | 29         |
| A lot                            | 18         |
| <b>Just some</b>                 | <b>26</b>  |
| <b>A little/No impact at all</b> | <b>24</b>  |
| A little                         | 17         |
| No impact at all                 | 7          |
| Don't know [VOL]                 | 2          |
| Refused [VOL]                    | *          |

Based on:

N=1,007

*This item from PRES5 previously released*

|  |            |
|--|------------|
| <b>The nation's health care system</b> | 6/14-18/12 |
| <b>A great deal/A lot</b>              | <b>51</b>  |
| A great deal                           | 30         |
| A lot                                  | 22         |
| <b>Just some</b>                       | <b>24</b>  |
| <b>A little/No impact at all</b>       | <b>23</b>  |
| A little                               | 15         |
| No impact at all                       | 8          |
| Don't know [VOL]                       | 2          |
| Refused [VOL]                          | *          |

Based on:

N=1,007

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PRES5. How much of an impact, if any, do you think the outcome of the November presidential election will have on each of the following issues? First/next [ITEM], do you think the outcome of the presidential election will have a great deal of impact, a lot of impact, just some impact, a little impact or have no impact at all on [ITEM]?

|                                  |            |
|----------------------------------|------------|
| <b>Unemployment ...</b>          | 6/14-18/12 |
| <b>A great deal/A lot</b>        | <b>40</b>  |
| A great deal                     | 23         |
| A lot                            | 17         |
| <b>Just some</b>                 | <b>34</b>  |
| <b>A little/No impact at all</b> | <b>25</b>  |
| A little                         | 17         |
| No impact at all                 | 8          |
| Don't know [VOL]                 | 1          |
| Refused [VOL]                    | *          |

Based on:

N=1,007

|                                   |            |
|-----------------------------------|------------|
| <b>The federal budget deficit</b> | 6/14-18/12 |
| <b>A great deal/A lot</b>         | <b>41</b>  |
| A great deal                      | 23         |
| A lot                             | 18         |
| <b>Just some</b>                  | <b>27</b>  |
| <b>A little/No impact at all</b>  | <b>28</b>  |
| A little                          | 17         |
| No impact at all                  | 11         |
| Don't know [VOL]                  | 4          |
| Refused [VOL]                     | -          |

Based on:

N=1,007

- B1. Would you describe the nation's economy these days as good, poor, or neither good nor poor?  
 [IF "GOOD," ASK:] Is that very good or somewhat good?  
 [IF "POOR," ASK:] Is that very poor or somewhat poor?  
 [IF "NEITHER," ASK:] If you had to choose, do you lean more toward good or poor?

|                                 | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL 10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS 10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | High: 2/16-20/12 | Low: 8/18-22/11 |
|---------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-------------------|---------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Total good</b>               | <b>17</b>  | <b>20</b> | <b>30</b>  | <b>15</b>  | <b>12</b>   | <b>11</b>  | <b>16</b>  | <b>21</b> | <b>22</b>  | <b>20</b> | <b>15</b> | <b>19</b>         | <b>22</b>                 | <b>15</b> | <b>16</b>  | <b>24</b> | <b>30</b>        | <b>11</b>       |
| Very good                       | 2          | 1         | 2          | *          | 1           | 1          | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1         | 1         | 1                 | 1                         | *         | 1          | 1         | 2                | 1               |
| Somewhat good                   | 10         | 10        | 13         | 5          | 3           | 4          | 5          | 8         | 9          | 7         | 4         | 7                 | 8                         | 4         | 4          | 9         | 13               | 4               |
| Neither – lean good             | 5          | 8         | 15         | 10         | 9           | 5          | 10         | 13        | 13         | 13        | 9         | 11                | 13                        | 11        | 11         | 14        | 15               | 5               |
| <b>Neither–Don't lean [VOL]</b> | <b>16</b>  | <b>15</b> | <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b>   | <b>6</b>    | <b>3</b>   | <b>4</b>   | <b>6</b>  | <b>4</b>   | <b>5</b>  | <b>3</b>  | <b>6</b>          | <b>7</b>                  | <b>6</b>  | <b>3</b>   | <b>4</b>  | <b>4</b>         | <b>3</b>        |
| <b>Total poor</b>               | <b>66</b>  | <b>64</b> | <b>66</b>  | <b>80</b>  | <b>81</b>   | <b>86</b>  | <b>80</b>  | <b>73</b> | <b>73</b>  | <b>75</b> | <b>83</b> | <b>75</b>         | <b>71</b>                 | <b>79</b> | <b>81</b>  | <b>72</b> | <b>66</b>        | <b>86</b>       |
| Neither – lean poor             | 9          | 6         | 10         | 12         | 8           | 12         | 12         | 15        | 17         | 14        | 16        | 15                | 12                        | 14        | 17         | 12        | 10               | 12              |
| Somewhat poor                   | 26         | 27        | 24         | 34         | 31          | 33         | 32         | 32        | 33         | 35        | 33        | 30                | 27                        | 30        | 30         | 33        | 24               | 33              |
| Very poor                       | 31         | 31        | 32         | 34         | 43          | 42         | 36         | 27        | 23         | 26        | 35        | 30                | 32                        | 35        | 34         | 27        | 32               | 42              |
| Don't know [VOL]                | 1          | 1         | *          | *          | *           | *          | -          | *         | *          | *         | *         | *                 | *                         | -         | *          | *         | *                | *               |
| Refused [VOL]                   | -          | *         | -          | -          | -           | -          | *          | -         | -          | *         | -         | *                 | -                         | -         | -          | *         | -                | -               |

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ECO41. In the past month, do you think the economy got better, got worse or stayed about the same?

|                       | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11 | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL<br>10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS<br>10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | 5/7-11/10 | 4/7-12/10 | 3/3-8/10 | 1/12-17/10 | High:1/5-10/11 | Low:8/18-22/11 |
|-----------------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|------------|----------------|----------------|
| Got better            | 16         | 22       | 28         | 20         | 9           | 6          | 13         | 22       | 15         | 30        | 20        | 17                   | 20                           | 13        | 12         | 19        | 25        | 25        | 20       | 25         | 30             | 6              |
| Got worse             | 23         | 20       | 18         | 15         | 23          | 49         | 27         | 22       | 27         | 18        | 16        | 19                   | 20                           | 22        | 22         | 16        | 18        | 18        | 16       | 16         | 18             | 49             |
| Stayed about the same | 59         | 56       | 53         | 64         | 68          | 45         | 60         | 56       | 58         | 52        | 64        | 63                   | 59                           | 65        | 66         | 65        | 56        | 57        | 63       | 59         | 52             | 45             |
| Don't know [VOL]      | 1          | 1        | *          | 1          | 1           | *          | 1          | *        | *          | *         | 1         | 1                    | 1                            | *         | *          | 1         | 1         | *         | 1        | 1          | *              | *              |
| Refused [VOL]         | -          | *        | *          | -          | -           | -          | -          | -        | -          | -         | -         | *                    | *                            | -         | -          | *         | -         | -         | -        | -          | -              | -              |

Source: AP/Opinion Research Corp. N=1,000. \* = 95% confidence interval. High/Low = High/Low of the period.



CCON1. How do you expect the financial situation of your household will change over the next 12 months? Will it get better, get worse, or stay about the same?  
 [IF "BETTER," ASK:] And would that be a lot or a little better?  
 [IF "WORSE," ASK:] And would that be a lot or a little worse?

|                            | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| <b>Total Better</b>        | <b>30</b>  | <b>31</b> | <b>37</b>  | <b>36</b>  | <b>34</b>   | <b>31</b>  | <b>32</b>  | <b>34</b> | <b>32</b>  |
| A lot better               | 13         | 14        | 15         | 13         | 12          | 13         | 11         | 14        | 9          |
| A little better            | 17         | 18        | 22         | 23         | 22          | 18         | 21         | 20        | 22         |
| <b>Stay about the same</b> | <b>51</b>  | <b>47</b> | <b>50</b>  | <b>52</b>  | <b>54</b>   | <b>56</b>  | <b>57</b>  | <b>54</b> | <b>55</b>  |
| <b>Total Worse</b>         | <b>15</b>  | <b>18</b> | <b>11</b>  | <b>11</b>  | <b>12</b>   | <b>12</b>  | <b>11</b>  | <b>11</b> | <b>13</b>  |
| A little worse             | 8          | 11        | 7          | 6          | 6           | 6          | 6          | 7         | 10         |
| A lot worse                | 8          | 8         | 4          | 5          | 5           | 6          | 5          | 4         | 4          |
| Don't know [VOL]           | 3          | 3         | 2          | *          | *           | 1          | *          | 1         | 1          |
| Refused [VOL]              | *          | *         | -          | *          | *           | *          | -          | -         | *          |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON2. How do you expect the general economic situation in this country will change over the next 12 months? Will it get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

|                            | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 |
|----------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| <b>Get better</b>          | <b>40</b>  | <b>40</b> | <b>39</b>  | <b>35</b>  | <b>28</b>   | <b>27</b>  | <b>30</b>  | <b>41</b> | <b>32</b>  |
| A lot better               | 11         | 10        | 9          | 6          | 5           | 6          | 5          | 7         | 5          |
| A little better            | 29         | 30        | 30         | 29         | 23          | 22         | 25         | 33        | 27         |
| <b>Stay about the same</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>33</b> | <b>36</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>41</b>   | <b>40</b>  | <b>44</b>  | <b>36</b> | <b>42</b>  |
| <b>Get worse</b>           | <b>19</b>  | <b>22</b> | <b>24</b>  | <b>25</b>  | <b>30</b>   | <b>32</b>  | <b>26</b>  | <b>23</b> | <b>26</b>  |
| A little worse             | 10         | 10        | 14         | 13         | 18          | 16         | 15         | 13        | 17         |
| A lot worse                | 9          | 12        | 10         | 11         | 12          | 16         | 11         | 11        | 9          |
| Don't know [VOL]           | 5          | 5         | 2          | 1          | 1           | 1          | *          | 1         | *          |
| Refused [VOL]              | 1          | *         | -          | -          | *           | *          | -          | -         | *          |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON3. Compared with the past 12 months, how do you think consumer prices will change in the next 12 months? Will they increase more rapidly, increase at the same rate, increase at a slower rate, stay about the same, or will they fall?

|                           | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11 | 3/24-28/11 |
|---------------------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|
| Increase more rapidly     | 18         | 19       | 29         | 18         | 24          | 24         | 25         | 30       | 33         |
| Increase at the same rate | 25         | 28       | 28         | 29         | 26          | 28         | 28         | 28       | 25         |
| Increase at a slower rate | 20         | 21       | 20         | 22         | 23          | 22         | 21         | 20       | 18         |
| Stay about the same       | 31         | 25       | 20         | 28         | 24          | 21         | 22         | 18       | 19         |
| Will fall                 | 4          | 4        | 2          | 3          | 3           | 4          | 3          | 4        | 4          |
| Don't know [VOL]          | 3          | 3        | 1          | 1          | 1           | 1          | 1          | 1        | *          |
| Refused [VOL]             | *          | *        | *          | *          | -           | *          | *          | -        | -          |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON4. Thinking of the general economic situation, do you think that now is a good time, a bad time, or neither a good nor a bad time to make major purchases such as furniture and electronic devices?

|                             | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11 | 3/24-28/11 |
|-----------------------------|------------|----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|----------|------------|
| A good time                 | 30         | 30       | 36         | 35         | 27          | 28         | 29         | 34       | 31         |
| Neither a good nor bad time | 26         | 26       | 28         | 28         | 29          | 30         | 31         | 29       | 30         |
| A bad time                  | 39         | 38       | 34         | 35         | 42          | 41         | 39         | 36       | 38         |
| Don't know [VOL]            | 5          | 6        | 2          | 2          | 2           | 1          | 1          | 1        | 1          |
| Refused [VOL]               | 1          | *        | *          | *          | *           | *          | -          | *        | *          |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON5. Thinking of the general economic situation, do you think that now is a good or bad time to save?  
 [IF "GOOD," ASK:] And would that be a very good or fairly good time to save?  
 [IF "BAD," ASK:] And would that be very bad or fairly bad time to save?

|                                | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| <b>Total Good Time to Save</b> | <b>86</b>  | <b>88</b> | <b>90</b>  | <b>90</b>  | <b>91</b>   | <b>89</b>  | <b>89</b>  | <b>90</b> | <b>91</b>  |
| Very good time to save         | 49         | 54        | 50         | 53         | 56          | 57         | 54         | 50        | 51         |
| Fairly good time to save       | 37         | 34        | 40         | 37         | 35          | 32         | 35         | 40        | 40         |
| <b>Total Bad Time to Save</b>  | <b>12</b>  | <b>11</b> | <b>9</b>   | <b>10</b>  | <b>9</b>    | <b>10</b>  | <b>9</b>   | <b>9</b>  | <b>8</b>   |
| Fairly bad time to save        | 7          | 5         | 5          | 4          | 5           | 5          | 5          | 6         | 6          |
| Very bad time to save          | 5          | 5         | 5          | 5          | 4           | 5          | 4          | 3         | 2          |
| Don't know [VOL]               | 2          | 1         | 1          | 1          | *           | 1          | 1          | 1         | 1          |
| Refused [VOL]                  | *          | *         | *          | *          | *           | *          | -          | -         | *          |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

CCON6. How do you expect the number of people who are unemployed in this country to change over the next 12 months? Will it increase, decrease, or remain the same?  
 [IF "INCREASE," ASK:] And would that be a sharp or slight increase?  
 [IF "DECREASE," ASK:] And would that be a sharp or slight decrease?

|                        | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10/13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 |
|------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|
| <b>Total Increase</b>  | <b>31</b>  | <b>35</b> | <b>30</b>  | <b>35</b>  | <b>40</b>   | <b>43</b>  | <b>37</b>  | <b>34</b> | <b>33</b>  |
| A sharp increase       | 10         | 11        | 8          | 10         | 11          | 15         | 11         | 9         | 9          |
| A slight increase      | 21         | 25        | 22         | 25         | 29          | 28         | 26         | 26        | 24         |
| <b>Remain the same</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>32</b> | <b>35</b>  | <b>41</b>  | <b>36</b>   | <b>33</b>  | <b>40</b>  | <b>35</b> | <b>37</b>  |
| <b>Total Decrease</b>  | <b>31</b>  | <b>29</b> | <b>34</b>  | <b>24</b>  | <b>23</b>   | <b>24</b>  | <b>23</b>  | <b>31</b> | <b>30</b>  |
| A slight decrease      | 26         | 25        | 28         | 21         | 19          | 19         | 20         | 27        | 25         |
| A sharp decrease       | 5          | 4         | 6          | 3          | 4           | 5          | 3          | 3         | 5          |
| Don't know [VOL]       | 3          | 4         | 1          | 1          | 1           | 1          | 1          | 1         | 1          |
| Refused [VOL]          | *          | -         | *          | *          | -           | *          | *          | -         | -          |

Based on: N=1,007 N=1,004 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,000 N=1,001 N=1,001 N=1,001

FOUR1. Compared to four years ago, is your family's financial situation better today, worse today or about the same as it was four years ago? [IF BETTER/WORSE] Is that much [better/worse] or just somewhat [better/worse]?

|                       | 6/14-18/12 |
|-----------------------|------------|
| <b>Total Better</b>   | <b>27</b>  |
| Much better           | 13         |
| Somewhat better       | 14         |
| <b>About the same</b> | <b>34</b>  |
| <b>Total Worse</b>    | <b>38</b>  |
| Somewhat worse        | 19         |
| Much worse            | 19         |
| Don't know [VOL]      | *          |
| Refused [VOL]         | *          |

Based on:

N=1,007

Some items held for later release

HC1 and HC32 previously released

S1. Are you currently registered to vote at your address, or not?

|                                |            |
|--------------------------------|------------|
|                                | 6/14-18/12 |
| Yes                            | 81         |
| No                             | 18         |
| VOL: Not necessary in my state | 1          |
| Don't know [VOL]               | 1          |
| Refused [VOL]                  | *          |

Based on:

N=1,007

TP4. Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or are you not a supporter of the Tea Party movement?

|                        | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  | 2/16-20/12 | 12/8-12/11 | 10-13-17/11 | 8/18-22/11 | 6/16-20/11 | 5/5-9/11  | 3/24-28/11 | 1/5-10/11 | 11/3-8/10 | TOTAL<br>10/13-18/10 | LIKELY VOTERS<br>10/13-18/10 | 9/8-13/10 | 8/11-16/10 | 6/9-14/10 | 5/7-11/10 |
|------------------------|------------|-----------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|----------------------|------------------------------|-----------|------------|-----------|-----------|
| <b>Supporter</b>       | <b>23</b>  | <b>22</b> | <b>25</b>  | <b>30</b>  | <b>28</b>   | <b>25</b>  | <b>33</b>  | <b>30</b> | <b>30</b>  | <b>31</b> | <b>30</b> | <b>30</b>            | <b>36</b>                    | <b>28</b> | <b>28</b>  | <b>27</b> | <b>27</b> |
| Strongly               | 8          | 7         | 8          | 10         | 10          | 9          | 10         | 8         | 11         | 11        | 8         | 9                    | 13                           | 10        | 8          | 13        | 9         |
| Moderately             | 16         | 15        | 17         | 20         | 18          | 16         | 24         | 23        | 19         | 21        | 22        | 21                   | 24                           | 18        | 20         | 14        | 18        |
| <b>Not a supporter</b> | <b>65</b>  | <b>67</b> | <b>71</b>  | <b>64</b>  | <b>68</b>   | <b>70</b>  | <b>61</b>  | <b>63</b> | <b>65</b>  | <b>61</b> | <b>66</b> | <b>67</b>            | <b>60</b>                    | <b>68</b> | <b>69</b>  | <b>65</b> | <b>68</b> |
| Don't know [VOL]       | 10         | 10        | 4          | 6          | 4           | 5          | 5          | 7         | 6          | 7         | 4         | 4                    | 3                            | 4         | 3          | 7         | 5         |
| Refused [VOL]          | 1          | 1         | 1          | 1          | *           | *          | 1          | *         | *          | *         | -         | *                    | 1                            | 1         | *          | 1         | *         |

Based on:

N=1,007    N=1,004    N=1,000    N=1,000    N=1,000    N=1,000    N=1,001    N=1,001    N=1,001    N=1,001    N=1,000    N=1,501    N=846    N=1,000    N=1,007    N=1,044    N=1,002

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

|                  | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12 |
|------------------|------------|----------|
| Democrat         | 29         | 31       |
| Independent      | 33         | 29       |
| Republican       | 22         | 22       |
| None of these    | 15         | 17       |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1          | 1        |
| Refused [VOL]    | 1          | *        |

Based on:

N=1,007

N=1,004

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?

|                                | 6/14-18/12 | 5/3-7/12  |
|--------------------------------|------------|-----------|
| <b>Total Democrat</b>          | <b>49</b>  | <b>49</b> |
| Democrat – strong              | 15         | 16        |
| Democrat – moderate            | 14         | 15        |
| Democrat-unknown intensity     | 1          | 1         |
| Independent – lean Democratic  | 14         | 13        |
| None – lean Democratic         | 6          | 6         |
| <b>Total Republican</b>        | <b>39</b>  | <b>37</b> |
| Republican – strong            | 11         | 11        |
| Republican – moderate          | 11         | 10        |
| Republican-unknown intensity   | *          | 1         |
| Independent – lean Republican  | 13         | 10        |
| None – lean Republican         | 4          | 5         |
| [VOL] Independent – don't lean | 5          | 6         |
| [VOL] None – don't lean        | 4          | 6         |
| [VOL] Independent – lean other | 1          | 1         |
| [VOL] None – lean other        | 2          | 2         |
| Don't know                     | -          | -         |
| Refused                        | -          | -         |

Based on:

N=1,007

N=1,004

- G11a. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself a liberal, moderate, or conservative?  
 [IF "Liberal," ASK: Would you say you are strongly or somewhat liberal?]  
 [IF "Conservative," ASK: Would you say you are strongly or somewhat conservative?]

|                         | 6/14-18-12 | 5/-3-7/12 |
|-------------------------|------------|-----------|
| Liberal - strongly      | 11         | 10        |
| Liberal - somewhat      | 11         | 13        |
| Conservative - strongly | 22         | 20        |
| Conservative - somewhat | 20         | 19        |
| Moderate                | 32         | 32        |
| Don't know              | 3          | 5         |
| Refused                 | 1          | 1         |

Based on:

N=1,007

N=1,004



*Some items held for later release*

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

DM1. What is your marital status? Are you... [READ EACH ITEM]

|                                       |    |
|---------------------------------------|----|
| Married/Living as Married/Co-habiting | 49 |
| Separated                             | 4  |
| Divorced                              | 14 |
| Widowed                               | 8  |
| Never Married                         | 24 |
| Don't know [VOL]                      | *  |
| Refused [VOL]                         | 1  |

*Based on:*

*N=1,007*

DM2. What is the last grade of school you completed? [READ EACH ITEM]

|                                |    |
|--------------------------------|----|
| Less than high school graduate | 11 |
| High school graduate           | 31 |
| Technical/trade school         | 5  |
| Some college                   | 24 |
| College graduate               | 15 |
| Some graduate school           | 3  |
| Graduate degree                | 11 |
| Don't know [VOL]               | -  |
| Refused [VOL]                  | 1  |

*Based on:*

*N=1,007*

DM4. In what year were you born?

Age group:

|               |    |
|---------------|----|
| 18-29         | 19 |
| 30-49         | 36 |
| 50-64         | 25 |
| 65+           | 18 |
| Refused [VOL] | 2  |

*Based on:*

*N=1,007*

DM5. Which one of the following best describes where you live? [READ EACH ITEM]

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Urban area       | 30 |
| Suburban area    | 39 |
| Rural area       | 29 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 2  |
| Refused [VOL]    | 1  |

*Based on:*

*N=1,007*

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

|                   |    |
|-------------------|----|
| Own               | 58 |
| Rent              | 28 |
| Other arrangement | 13 |
| Don't know [VOL]  | *  |
| Refused [VOL]     | 1  |

*Based on:*

*N=1,007*

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

|                     |    |
|---------------------|----|
| None                | 31 |
| One Line            | 63 |
| Two lines           | 3  |
| Three or more lines | 1  |
| Don't know [VOL]    | *  |
| Refused [VOL]       | 2  |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| None             | 7  |
| One              | 75 |
| Two              | 12 |
| Three or more    | 4  |
| Don't know [VOL] | *  |
| Refused [VOL]    | 2  |

Based on:

N=1,007

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         | 28 |
| Cell phone       | 40 |
| Both equally     | 32 |
| Don't know [VOL] | *  |
| Refused [VOL]    | -  |

Based on:

N=652

DM10a. [ASK CELL-PHONE SAMPLE ONLY] How many adults, in addition to you, carry and use this cell phone at least once a week or more?

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| None             | 45 |
| One              | 39 |
| Two              | 9  |
| Three or more    | 5  |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1  |
| Refused [VOL]    | 2  |

Based on:

N=300

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

|                             |    |
|-----------------------------|----|
| Yes, born-again/evangelical | 43 |
| No                          | 53 |
| Don't know [VOL]            | 1  |
| Refused [VOL]               | 3  |

Based on:

N=1,007

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                             | 26 |
| Catholic                               | 24 |
| Mormon                                 | 2  |
| Jewish                                 | 2  |
| Muslim                                 | *  |
| Other religion                         | 22 |
| Don't belong to religious denomination | 21 |
| Don't know [VOL]                       | 1  |
| Refused [VOL]                          | 3  |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

|                     |    |
|---------------------|----|
| Yes, a Christian    | 79 |
| No, not a Christian | 20 |
| Don't know [VOL]    | 1  |
| Refused [VOL]       | 1  |

*Based on:*

*N=192*

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?

|                                    |    |
|------------------------------------|----|
| Never                              | 15 |
| Less often than a few times a year | 12 |
| A few times a year                 | 21 |
| Once or twice a month              | 15 |
| Once a week                        | 23 |
| More than once a week              | 12 |
| Don't know [VOL]                   | 1  |
| Refused [VOL]                      | 2  |

*Based on:*

*N=1,007*

DM16. Are you of Hispanic, Latino or Spanish origin?

|                  |    |
|------------------|----|
| Yes              | 13 |
| No               | 85 |
| Don't know [VOL] | -  |
| Refused [VOL]    | 2  |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

DM18. [IF NOT SPANISH/HISPANIC/LATINO (D16=2), ASK:] What race or races do you consider yourself to be? [DO NOT READ. ACCEPT MULTIPLE RESPONSES.]

|                                  |    |
|----------------------------------|----|
| White, Caucasian                 | 72 |
| Black, African-American, Negro   | 11 |
| American Indian or Alaska Native | 1  |
| Asian Indian                     | 1  |
| Native Hawaiian                  | *  |
| Chinese                          | *  |
| Guamanian or Chamorro            | *  |
| Filipino                         | -  |
| Samoan                           | -  |
| Japanese                         | *  |
| Korean                           | -  |
| Vietnamese                       | -  |
| Other Asian                      | 1  |
| Other Pacific Islander           | *  |
| Some other race                  | 8  |
| Don't know                       | 1  |
| Refused                          | 2  |
| Multiple races                   | 4  |

Based on:

N=1,007

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   | 50 |
| \$50,000+        | 45 |
| Don't know [VOL] | 1  |
| Refused [VOL]    | 4  |

Based on:

N=1,007

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

|                              |    |
|------------------------------|----|
| Under \$10,000               | 8  |
| \$10,000 to under \$20,000   | 12 |
| \$20,000 to under \$30,000   | 12 |
| \$30,000 to under \$40,000   | 9  |
| \$40,000 to under \$50,000   | 7  |
| \$50,000 to under \$75,000   | 17 |
| \$75,000 to under \$100,000  | 11 |
| \$100,000 to under \$150,000 | 8  |
| \$150,000 or more            | 6  |
| Don't know [VOL]             | 3  |
| Refused [VOL]                | 8  |

Based on:

N=1,007

DM25. [INTERVIEWER RECORD:] Respondent's Gender:

|        |    |
|--------|----|
| Male   | 49 |
| Female | 51 |

Based on:

N=1,007

CENSUS REGION:

|           |    |
|-----------|----|
| Northeast | 19 |
| Midwest   | 22 |
| South     | 37 |
| West      | 23 |

Based on:

N=1,007

## AP-GfK Poll Methodology

The **Associated Press-GfK Poll** was conducted June 14 – 18, 2012 by GfK Roper Public Affairs & Corporate Communications – a division of GfK Custom Research North America. This telephone poll is based on a nationally-representative probability sample of 1,007 general population adults age 18 or older.

Interviews were conducted with 707 respondents on landlines and 300 respondents on cellular telephones. Both the landline and cell phone samples were provided by Survey Sampling International. The sample included the contiguous 48 states, Alaska, and Hawaii. Interviews were conducted in both English and Spanish, depending on respondent preference.

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 2009 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 2009 Fall estimates provided by GfK MRI Inc.

The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 4.0 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 <http://www.ap-gfkipoll.com>.