

Democracy Corps - Missouri Statewide Frequency Questionnaire

April 28 – 30, 2009
800 Likely Voters

Q.2 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total
Yes	100
No.....	-
(ref:NRV)	

Q.4 Many people weren't able to vote in the election for President in November 2008 between Barack Obama and John McCain. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	100
Ineligible/too young	0
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:DIDVOTE)	

Q.5 I know it is a long way off, but what are the chances of your voting in the election for Senate, Congress and other offices in November 2010 -- are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total
Almost certain.....	82
Probably	18
50-50	-
Will not vote.....	-
(Don't know/Refused).....	-
(ref:WILLVOTE)	

Q.6 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total
Right direction	40
Wrong track.....	51
(Don't know/Refused).....	8
Right - Wrong.....	-11
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.7 Generally speaking, do you think that things in Missouri are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total
Right direction	51
Wrong track.....	35
(Don't know/Refused).....	14
Right - Wrong.....	16
(ref:DIRECT2)	

Q.8 Now I'd like to read you some names. For each one, please tell me whether you approve or disapprove of how that person is handling their job.

	Strng	Smwt	Smwt	Strng	DK/	Total	Total	App
	App	App	Disap	Disap	Ref	App	Disap	-
								Disap
8 Jay Nixon as Governor	27	36	14	9	13	63	23	40
9 Barack Obama as President.....	37	19	9	30	5	56	39	16
10 Claire McCaskill as U.S. Senator.....	27	32	10	22	8	59	33	27
11 Robin Carnahan as Secretary of State.....	29	31	9	13	19	60	21	39
(ref:JOBAPP)								

Q.12 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or organization, please say so. You can give any number from zero to one hundred.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
12 The Democratic Party	50	43	43	98
13 The Republican Party	46	36	40	98
14 Claire McCaskill	54	48	33	95
15 Robin Carnahan.....	58	46	22	87
16 Barack Obama	57	52	35	99
17 Jay Nixon	60	51	22	93
18 Sarah Steelman	53	22	13	51
19 Roy Blunt	50	33	27	82

(ref:THERM2)

Q.20 Now, I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the election for U.S. Congress in November 2010, if the election were held today would you vote for the Democratic candidate or the Republican candidate?

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	38
Lean Democratic candidate.....	6
Republican candidate.....	38
Lean Republican candidate.....	6
(Undecided).....	10
(Refused).....	2
Total Democratic candidate	43
Total Republican candidate.....	45

(ref:GC1)

Q.22 And thinking about the November 2010 election for U.S. Senate, if the general election for U.S. Senate were held today, and the candidates were Democrat Robin Carnahan and Republican Roy Blunt, for whom would you vote -- Democrat Robin Carnahan or Republican Roy Blunt?

	Total
Robin Carnahan	51
Lean Robin Carnahan	1
Roy Blunt.....	43
Lean Roy Blunt.....	1
(Undecided).....	3
(Refused).....	0
Total Robin Carnahan	53
Total Roy Blunt.....	44
(ref:SENV10B)	

Q.24 Even though you are not supporting Robin Carnahan now, what are the chances that you might support Robin Carnahan in the election for U.S. Senate next year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	7
A small chance	6
Just a very slight chance	11
No chance at all.....	22
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
Carnahan Supporter.....	51
(ref:CARCHANC)	

Q.25 Even though you are not supporting Roy Blunt now, what are the chances that you might support Roy Blunt in the election for U.S. Senate next year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	10
A small chance	9
Just a very slight chance	11
No chance at all.....	24
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
Blunt Supporter	43
(ref:BLUCHANC)	

Q.26 And thinking about the November 2010 election for U.S. Senate, if the general election for U.S. Senate were held today, and the candidates were Democrat Robin Carnahan and Republican Sarah Steelman, for whom would you vote -- Democrat Robin Carnahan or Republican Sarah Steelman?

	Total
Robin Carnahan	52
Lean Robin Carnahan	2
Sarah Steelman.....	39
Lean Sarah Steelman.....	2
(Undecided).....	3
(Refused).....	1
Total Robin Carnahan	54
Total Sarah Steelman.....	42
(ref:SENV10S)	

Q.28 Even though you are not supporting Robin Carnahan now, what are the chances that you might support Robin Carnahan in the election for U.S. Senate next year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	7
A small chance	6
Just a very slight chance	12
No chance at all.....	20
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
Carnahan Supporter.....	52
(ref:CARCHANS)	

Q.29 Even though you are not supporting Sarah Steelman now, what are the chances that you might support Sarah Steelman in the election for U.S. Senate next year -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	15
A small chance	11
Just a very slight chance	15
No chance at all.....	15
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
Stelman Supporter	39
(ref:STECHANS)	

Q.30 As you may know, there will be an initiative on the November 2010 ballot, which if passed would amend the state constitution to make it illegal for state or local governments to grant public funds to hospitals or other institutions that conduct stem cell research.

If the election were held today, would you FAVOR this measure, meaning the state could not fund stem cell research, or would you OPPOSE it, meaning the state would be allowed to fund stem cell research?

	Total
Strongly oppose	40
Somewhat oppose.....	16
Somewhat favor	10
Strongly favor	26
(Don't know/Refused).....	7
Total Oppose	56
Total Favor	36
(ref:STEMCELL)	

[400 Respondents]

Q.31 (SPLIT A) Now, let me ask you something different. Do you want a senator who will mostly support President Obama's agenda to get things done, or do you want a senator who will mostly oppose President Obama's agenda to provide balance?

	Total
Support Obama strongly	40
Support Obama not so strongly.....	9
Oppose Obama not so strongly.....	7
Oppose Obama strongly	33
(Don't know/Refused).....	11
Total Support Obama.....	49
Total Oppose Obama	40
Support Obama - Oppose Obama.....	9
(ref:OBAMADIR)	

[400 Respondents]

Q.32 (SPLIT B) Now let me read a pair of statements. Please tell me which of the following statements comes closest to your own views, even if neither of the statements matches your views exactly.

	1st Stmt Much	1st Smwt	2nd Stmt Smwt	2nd Stmt Much	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
32 The Obama Administration is making the right decisions to get our economy moving.										
OR										
The Obama Administration is spending too much, borrowing too much and taxing too much.....	36	12	7	42	-	1	2	49	49	0
(ref:OBAMPAIR)										

Q.33 Now, let me read you a few statements about some of the people who are running or considering running for U.S. Senate. For each statement, please tell me how convincing a reason it is to vote for that candidate, is it a very convincing reason, somewhat convincing reason, a little convincing, or not at all convincing reason to support that candidate.

	Very Conv	Smwt Conv	A Lttle Conv	Not at All	DK/ Ref	Very/ Smwt Conv	Lttle/ Not Conv
33 Robin Carnahan is running for Senate because it's time we elect leaders who will stop the political bickering and start solving problems. As Secretary of State, Carnahan has focused on protecting consumers, cutting costs and red-tape for businesses, and safeguarding the integrity of elections. In her first year in office, Carnahan cracked down on companies that tried to take advantage of Missouri's senior citizens through investor fraud. In the Senate, she will work to rebuild the economy so it works for everyone, make government more accountable for every nickel it spends, and crack down on the fraud and abuse both on Wall Street and in Washington.....	28	37	15	17	2	66	33

	Very Conv	Smwt Conv	A Little Conv	Not at All	DK/ Ref	Very/ Smwt Conv	Little/ Not Conv
34 Roy Blunt is running for Senate because in these trying times, we need experienced leaders who will return our country to fiscal responsibility. A former teacher, college president and Missouri Secretary of State, Congressman Blunt knows that government can't borrow and spent itself to prosperity. In Congress, he fought for and passed the largest tax cut for Americans in history so businesses can grow and create new jobs, and voted against the budget because we need government to be accountable with taxpayer dollars. Blunt will bring Missouri common sense to the Senate, helping the private sector create self-sustaining jobs and help Missouri taxpayers keep more of their hard-earned money.....	29	33	14	24	1	61	38
35 Sarah Steelman is running for Senate because we need a principled leader who will stop Washington's wasteful spending and protect taxpayers. As State Treasurer, Steelman stood up to the Governor of her own party when he tried to use taxpayer money on a secret deal to settle a sexual harassment lawsuit and she was the first State Treasurer to stop investments in countries that sponsor terrorism. If she had been in the Senate, she would have voted to prevent bailed out banks from giving bonuses to their CEOs. Steelman will change the way government operates by cutting wasteful spending and cutting taxes because people and businesses create jobs, not government. (ref:CONVSEN)	30	38	14	17	1	68	31

Q.36 Now, let me ask you again. If the November 2010 election for U.S. Senate were held today, and the candidates were Democrat Robin Carnahan and Republican Roy Blunt, for whom would you vote -- Democrat Robin Carnahan or Republican Roy Blunt?

	Total
Robin Carnahan	52
Lean Robin Carnahan	1
Roy Blunt.....	45
Lean Roy Blunt.....	1
(Undecided).....	2
(Refused).....	0
Total Robin Carnahan	53
Total Roy Blunt.....	45
(ref:SEN10BIO)	

Q.38 And thinking about the November 2010 election for U.S. Senate, if the general election for U.S. Senate were held today, and the candidates were Democrat Robin Carnahan and Republican Sarah Steelman, for whom would you vote -- Democrat Robin Carnahan or Republican Sarah Steelman?

	Total
Robin Carnahan	50
Lean Robin Carnahan	2
Sarah Steelman.....	44
Lean Sarah Steelman.....	1
(Undecided).....	3
(Refused).....	1
Total Robin Carnahan	52
Total Sarah Steelman.....	45
(ref:SN10SBI)	

Q.40 Now let me read you a series of statements about candidates running or considering running for Senate. For each one, please tell me whether this description raises very serious doubts, serious doubts, minor doubts or no real doubts at all in your own mind about that candidate.

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
40 Carnahan supported her party down the line on the pork-filled stimulus bill that allowed AIG to use taxpayer dollars to give millions in bonuses to its executives who ran the company into the ground. If Carnahan is elected to the Senate, she will be a rubber stamp for Democratic Party leaders Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid, and give them the crucial 60th vote they need to pass their radical liberal agenda - more taxes, more spending, and more bailouts.....	28	33	17	19	2	61	37

	Very Ser Dbts	Ser Dbts	Minor Dbts	No Real Dbts	DK/ Ref	Total Ser	Total Not Ser
41 Since Carnahan became Secretary of State the number of voter registration fraud cases has exploded in Missouri, yet she has ignored the fraud and resisted election reforms.....	18	35	29	16	2	53	45
42 Steelman talks about principled leadership, but as treasurer she steered state deposits to a bank where her husband sits on the board. She talks about ending earmarks, but in the state senate she bragged about delivering millions in pork, including lights for baseball fields.	16	33	37	11	3	49	48
43 Steelman supported massive health care cuts which have slashed or eliminated health care for four hundred thousand Missourians, including nearly one hundred thousand children. Because of these cuts, Missouri was ineligible for more than one billion dollars in funding from the federal government that would have helped provide the neediest Missourians with health insurance.	21	34	28	14	3	55	42
[400 Respondents]							
44 (SPLIT A) Blunt voted against giving Missouri workers an increase in the minimum wage and against a bonus for troops serving in Iraq and Afghanistan, then voted to give himself a pay raise.	28	37	22	11	2	65	33
45 For ten years in Washington, Blunt has voted down the line with his Republican Party. He voted with George Bush to stop an expansion of children's health care, to give tax breaks to big oil companies and the rich while opposing tax cuts for the middle class. And he supported Bush's plan to risk Social Security in the stock market, which would have wiped out our seniors' savings.	27	33	22	15	3	60	37

	Very			No		Total	Total
	Ser	Ser	Minor	Real	DK/	Total	Not
	Dbts	Dbts	Dbts	Dbts	Ref	Ser	Ser

[400 Respondents]

46 (SPLIT B) Blunt was named one of the 13 most corrupt members of Congress for helping convicted lobbyist Jack Abramoff in exchange for thousands of dollars in campaign contributions. Blunt signed onto an Abramoff letter supporting Indian gambling in Louisiana, and in exchange received an \$8,500 dollar campaign contribution. 25 32 25 14 5 **56 39**
 (ref:CARNDBT)

Q.47 Now, let me ask you one last time. If the November 2010 election for U.S. Senate were held today, and the candidates were Democrat Robin Carnahan and Republican Roy Blunt, for whom would you vote -- Democrat Robin Carnahan or Republican Roy Blunt?

	Total
Robin Carnahan	51
Lean Robin Carnahan	1
Roy Blunt.....	44
Lean Roy Blunt.....	1
(Undecided).....	3
(Refused).....	0
Total Robin Carnahan	52
Total Roy Blunt.....	45
(ref:SEN10FIN)	

Q.49 And thinking about the November 2010 election for U.S. Senate, if the general election for U.S. Senate were held today, and the candidates were Democrat Robin Carnahan and Republican Sarah Steelman, for whom would you vote -- Democrat Robin Carnahan or Republican Sarah Steelman?

	Total
Robin Carnahan	50
Lean Robin Carnahan	1
Sarah Steelman.....	44
Lean Sarah Steelman.....	1
(Undecided).....	4
(Refused).....	1
Total Robin Carnahan	51
Total Sarah Steelman.....	45
(ref:SN10SFIN)	

Q.51 Now, let me read you two statements about the economy. Please tell if these statements make you more likely to support Robin Carnahan or Roy Blunt for U.S. Senate?

Robin Carnahan supports President Obama's economic recovery plan because we need to get the economy moving by creating jobs and cutting taxes for the middle class. She supports taking action rather than doing nothing while the economy falls apart.

Roy Blunt voted against President Obama's stimulus plan and budget because we can't tax, spend and borrow our way out of a recession. He supported an alternative budget that made the tough choices to keep spending under control and cut taxes.

Does that statement make you more likely to support Robin Carnahan or Roy Blunt for U.S. Senate?

	Total
Robin Carnahan MUCH more likely	33
Robin Carnahan SOMEWHAT more likely	18
Roy Blunt SOMEWHAT more likely	14
Roy Blunt MUCH more likely	32
(Don't know/Refused)	3
Total Carnahan more likely	50
Total Blunt more likely	46
Carnahan - Blunt	4
(ref:ECONCNTR)	

Q.52 Now, let me read you two statements about President Obama's health care plan. After hearing these statements, please tell me if you favor or oppose President Obama's healthcare plan.

President Obama says we need to provide affordable health care to every American. His plan gives all Americans the option of keeping the insurance they currently have or joining a national insurance pool that offers a choice of private and public plans, including the same options that Members of Congress receive. His plan, which would save families \$2500 in premiums per year, expands Medicare and Medicaid eligibility and requires employers to offer coverage or pay into an insurance pool. It requires insurance companies to accept people regardless of pre-existing conditions. And it brings down the cost of health care in the long term by increasing preventive care and reducing administrative costs in the health care system.

(Some/other) people say Obama's health care plan is a new government-run program that takes decisions out of a doctor's hands and gives them to bureaucrats. It means Americans will pay thousands of dollars in new taxes and more people will not be able to keep their own doctor, or go to the hospital without waiting in long lines. Plus, taxpayers will pay for illegal immigrants to get health care. It's a trillion dollar government program that will cost consumers more money, give them less choice, and require new taxes on Americans. Instead, we should expand health coverage through health savings accounts that empower patients to make their own decisions about their health care in conjunction with their doctors.

Based on these statements, do you favor or oppose President Obama's healthcare plan?

	Total
Strongly favor Obama healthcare plan.....	29
Somewhat favor Obama healthcare plan.....	18
Somewhat oppose Obama healthcare plan.....	12
Strongly oppose Obama healthcare plan.....	37
(Don't know/ Refused).....	4
Total Favor	47
Total Oppose	49
(ref:OBAHC)	

Q.53 Are you more or less likely to support a candidate for U.S. Senate who votes for President Obama's healthcare plan?

	Total
Much more likely	27
Somewhat more likely	19
Somewhat less likely	15
Much less likely	32
(Don't know/Refused).....	7
Total more likely	46
Total less likely	47
(ref:OBAHCF)	

Q.54 Now, let me read you two statements about President Obama's energy plan. After hearing these statements, please tell me if you favor or oppose President Obama's energy plan.

[400 Respondents]

(SPLIT A) President Obama says we need to get America running on clean energy by rewarding companies that produce alternative energy like wind and solar and requiring companies to reduce their pollution. It will provide financial rewards to companies that produce clean energy and require more of America's energy to come from alternative sources like wind and solar power. Obama's energy plan will use America's technological know-how to re-charge our economy with new industries and new jobs. And it will reduce our dependence on foreign energy and unstable parts of the world. It will cost just thirty dollars per month initially and less for those who use less energy. For too long we've relied on the same old, dirty energy sources and it's time to get on with it and get America running on clean energy.

[400 Respondents]

(SPLIT B) President Obama says we need to get America running on clean energy by rewarding companies that produce alternative energy like wind and solar and requiring companies to reduce their pollution. It will provide financial rewards to companies that produce clean energy and require more of America's energy to come from alternative sources like wind and solar power. Obama's energy plan will use America's technological know-how to re-charge our economy with new industries and new jobs. And it will reduce our dependence on foreign energy and unstable parts of the world. For too long we've relied on the same old, dirty energy sources. Energy costs are rising already and it's time to get America running on clean energy.

(Some/others) say the energy scheme coming out of Washington will create a new three-thousand dollar a year tax on every American because companies will pass off fees to energy customers. Every time we turn on a light switch or fill up the car with gas, we will face a new tax. With the economy in recession, this will stifle economic growth, cost millions of jobs, and hit Americans in the pocket at the worst possible time. It will also put unfair restrictions on American businesses while countries like China continue to pollute. And it won't work because it will be run by a big new government bureaucracy. We need to develop alternative energy like wind and solar and also explore new domestic sources of oil and more nuclear power, but a giant new energy tax on the middle class is the wrong way to do it.

Based on these statements, do you favor or oppose President Obama's energy plan?

	Total	A	B
Strongly favor Obama energy plan	34	32	35
Somewhat favor Obama energy plan.....	23	24	22
Somewhat oppose Obama energy plan.....	13	15	12
Strongly oppose Obama energy plan.....	26	24	27
(Don't know/Refused).....	4	5	3
Total Favor	57	56	58
Total Oppose	39	39	39

(ref:OBAENRGY)

Q.55 Are you more or less likely to support a candidate for U.S. Senate who votes for President Obama's energy plan?

	Total	A	B
Much more likely	30	28	32
Somewhat more likely	26	26	25
Somewhat less likely	14	14	13
Much less likely	24	25	24
(Don't know/Refused).....	7	7	6
Total more likely.....	55	53	57
Total less likely.....	38	39	37

(ref:OBAENRGF)

Q.56 In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total
Democrat Barack Obama.....	43
Republican John McCain	47
(Ralph Nader).....	0
(Bob Barr).....	0
(Other)	2

(ref:VOTE2008)

Q.57 Finally, I'd like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	25
Weak Democrat.....	10
Independent-lean Democrat.....	9
Independent	8
Independent-lean Republican	14
Weak Republican	12
Strong Republican.....	20
(Don't know/Refused).....	1

(ref:PTYID1)

Q.60 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are conservative, moderate, or liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	17
Moderate	32
Conservative	46
(Don't know/Refused).....	5

(ref:IDEO1)

Q.61 What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total
1 - 11th grade	3
High School graduate.....	26
Non-college post H.S.	2
Some college.....	26
College graduate.....	26
Post-graduate school	15
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.62 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	7
25 - 29	7
30 - 34	6
35 - 39	8
40 - 44	7
45 - 49	10
50 - 54	10
55 - 59	10
60 - 64	9
Over 64.....	24
(No answer).....	2
(ref:AGE)	

Q.63 Are you a current or retired member of a labor union? [IF YES] Are you a current or retired member? [IF NO] Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes, respondent belongs currently.....	10
Household member	9
Retired member.....	9
No member belongs.....	70
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:UNION)	

Q.64 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	69
Single	15
Separated/divorced	6
Widowed.....	8
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.65 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant	63
Catholic	21
Jewish	0
(Other)	2
(None)	9
(Don't know/Refused)	5
(ref:RELIG)	

Q.66 In terms of your job status, are you employed, unemployed but looking for work, retired, a student, or a homemaker?

	Total
Employed	55
Unemployed	5
Retired	28
Student	3
Homemaker	7
(Other)	1
(Don't know/Refused)	2
(ref:EMPLOY)	

Q.67 How concerned are you that in the next 12 months you or someone else in your household might be out of work and looking for a job - very concerned, somewhat concerned, or not concerned at all?

	Total
Very concerned	26
Somewhat concerned	27
Not concerned at all	45
(Don't Know/Refused)	2
(ref:LOSEJOB)	

Q.68 What is your race?

	Total
White	87
Black	8
Hispanic	1
(Other)	1
(Don't know/Refused)	3
(ref:RACE)	

Q.69 How many guns or rifles do you own?

	Total
None	49
1-2	13
3-9	14
10 or more	6
(Don't know/Refused)	18
(ref:GUNS)	

Q. 70 Now I'm going to read you a list of stores. Please tell me if you have shopped at each recently.

	Yes	No	DK/ Ref	Yes - No
70 Wal-Mart	75	15	10	60
71 Target..... (ref:WALTARG2)	41	30	28	11

Q.3 Gender

	Total
Male.....	47
Female	53
(ref:GENDER)	