

Democracy Corps Congressional Battleground Frequency Questionnaire

July 13-16, 2009

1500 Likely Voters in 40 Democratic-Held and 20 Republican-Held Districts
500 Democratic Tier 1
500 Democratic Tier 2
500 Republican Tier

Q.3 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Yes.....	100	100	100	100	100
No	-	-	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-	-	-
(ref:SCREEN1)					

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

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Voted	99	99	100	99	99
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young .	1	1	0	1	1
Did not vote.....	-	-	-	-	-
(Can't remember/Don't know)	-	-	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE08)					

Q.5 As you know, there was an election for Congress and other offices in 2006. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Voted	95	95	95	95	95
Not registered in 2006/Ineligible/too young .	5	5	5	5	5
Did not vote.....	-	-	-	-	-
(Can't remember/Don't know)	-	-	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-	-	-
(ref:VOTE062)					

Q.7 I know it's a long way off, but what are the chances of you voting in the election for Congress and other offices in 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	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Almost certain.....	85	86	88	84	85
Probably.....	14	14	12	16	15
50-50.....	-	-	-	-	-
Will not vote.....	-	-	-	-	-
(Don't know).....	0	0	0	0	0
(Refused).....	-	-	-	-	-
(ref:CP3)					

Q.8 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	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Right direction.....	38	36	34	38	41
Wrong track.....	54	56	59	52	50
(Don't know/refused).....	9	8	7	10	9
Right - Wrong.....	-16	-19	-24	-14	-9
(ref:DIRECT)					

Q.9 Do you approve or disapprove of the job being done by Barack Obama as president?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Strongly approve.....	34	32	30	35	37
Somewhat approve.....	18	17	16	17	20
Somewhat disapprove.....	9	9	11	8	7
Strongly disapprove.....	33	35	35	35	29
(Don't know/refused).....	7	7	8	6	6
Total approve.....	52	49	46	52	57
Total disapprove.....	42	44	46	43	37
(ref:BOAPP)					

[1436 Respondents]

Q.10 (SKIP IF OPEN SEAT) Do you approve or disapprove of the way (HOUSE INCUMBENT) is handling his/her job as a member of the U.S. Congress? ¹

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Strongly approve.....	18	17	16	18	21
Somewhat approve.....	28	28	29	27	29
Somewhat disapprove	11	12	12	11	11
Strongly disapprove	16	18	18	18	14
(Don't know/refused).....	25	25	26	25	25
Total approve	47	45	45	46	50
Total disapprove	28	29	29	29	25

(ref:CONGAPP)

Q.11 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with 100 meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and 50 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.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	ID
11 The Republican Party	44.4	34	44	98
Democratic Districts	44.6	35	43	97
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	44.4	34	42	97
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	44.8	35	44	97
Republican Districts	44.1	32	46	99
12 The Democratic Party	47.2	41	43	98
Democratic Districts	46.6	41	44	97
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	45.9	40	46	97
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	47.3	41	43	98
Republican Districts	48.5	43	40	99
13 The Democratic Congress	44.7	39	45	97
Democratic Districts	44.3	38	46	97
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	43.5	38	48	96
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	45.1	39	43	97
Republican Districts	45.4	40	44	97
14 Barack Obama	55.1	52	37	99
Democratic Districts	54.2	50	39	99
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	54.1	49	39	99
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	54.3	51	39	99
Republican Districts	56.9	56	32	100

¹ Actual incumbent's name inserted without party identification. Question not asked of NH-02 and FL-12, where the incumbent has announced intention not to run for reelection.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
[968 Respondents]				
15 Democratic incumbent ² (SKIP IF OPEN SEAT).....	51.6	35	27	83
Democratic Districts	51.6	35	27	83
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	51.8	36	26	83
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	51.4	34	27	84
[471 Respondents]				
15 Republican incumbent ¹ (SKIP IF OPEN SEAT).....	54.4	40	25	83
Republican Districts	54.4	40	25	83
16 The Republicans in Congress.....	44.7	32	42	97
Democratic Districts	44.6	32	42	97
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	44.9	31	42	96
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	44.3	32	43	97
Republican Districts	44.7	31	41	97
17 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	56.4	49	31	94
Democratic Districts	58.4	51	29	94
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	59.8	55	28	95
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	57.0	48	30	93
Republican Districts	52.4	44	35	94
18 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	50.4	40	39	95
Democratic Districts	50.8	41	39	95
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	51.6	43	38	95
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	50.0	39	40	95
Republican Districts	49.6	39	39	94
19 NAFTA and international trade agreements	42.4	25	37	85
Democratic Districts	41.4	24	39	86
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	40.8	25	39	86
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	42.0	24	39	85
Republican Districts	44.3	25	34	85
20 Gay marriage	38.6	31	50	95
Democratic Districts	36.4	28	53	95
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	35.5	27	54	95
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	37.3	30	52	96
Republican Districts	43.0	36	45	96

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

² The incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

Q.21 (SKIP IF OPEN SEAT) As you may know, there will be an election for your Representative to Congress in November, 2010. Do you think you will definitely vote to re-elect (HOUSE INCUMBENT) to Congress, probably vote to re-elect (HOUSE INCUMBENT), probably vote for someone else, or definitely vote for someone else?³

[968 Respondents]

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
DEMOCRATIC INCUMBENT					
Definitely re-elect.....	10	10	10	11	-
Probably re-elect.....	28	28	25	31	-
Probably vote for someone else	21	21	22	21	-
Definitely vote for someone else.....	18	18	18	18	-
(Depends on the person)	6	6	8	4	-
(Don't know/Refused)	16	16	18	14	-
Total Re-Elect.....	39	39	35	42	-
Total Someone Else.....	39	39	39	39	-
Re-elect - Someone Else	-1	-1	-5	3	-

[471 Respondents]

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
REPUBLICAN INCUMBENT					
Definitely re-elect.....	13	-	-	-	13
Probably re-elect.....	28	-	-	-	28
Probably vote for someone else	23	-	-	-	23
Definitely vote for someone else.....	17	-	-	-	17
(Depends on the person)	3	-	-	-	3
(Don't know/Refused)	17	-	-	-	17
Total Re-Elect.....	41	-	-	-	41
Total Someone Else.....	39	-	-	-	39
Re-Elect - Someone Else.....	2	-	-	-	2
(ref:REELECT)					

³ Actual incumbent's name inserted without party identification. Question not asked of NH-02 and FL-12, where the incumbent has announced intention not to run for reelection.

Q.22 I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the election for Congress in 2010, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)?⁴

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Democratic candidate	42	44	42	46	37
Lean Democratic candidate	4	4	5	3	4
Republican candidate	39	37	38	36	44
Lean Republican candidate	4	5	5	5	3
(Other candidate).....	2	2	2	2	3
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	0	0	1	0
(Undecided)	5	5	5	6	6
(Refused).....	2	2	3	2	3
Total Democratic Candidate	46	48	47	49	41
Total Republican Candidate	44	42	43	41	47
Total (Other Candidate).....	3	2	2	3	3

(ref:CONG10)

⁴ For each district, the 2008-elected incumbent's name was inserted with party identification and the opposing party given in the generic: "the Republican candidate" for Democratic-held seats and "the Democratic candidate" for Republican-held seats. In the NH-02 and FL-12, where the incumbent has announced intention not to seek reelection, both candidates were generic.

Q.24 Even though you are not supporting (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress in 2010 -- 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?⁵

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Fair chance.....	10	9	10	7	12
A small chance	11	11	11	12	10
Just a very slight chance	13	12	11	12	14
No chance at all.....	18	18	18	17	19
(Don't know/Refused)	2	2	2	2	3
Democratic Candidate Supporter.....	46	48	47	49	41
(ref:CONG10C)					

Q.25 Even though you are not supporting (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress in 2010 -- 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?⁶

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Fair chance.....	13	15	18	12	9
A small chance	11	9	8	11	15
Just a very slight chance	13	14	13	15	12
No chance at all.....	16	17	16	18	14
(Don't know/Refused)	3	3	2	3	3
Republican Candidate Supporter.....	44	42	43	41	47
(ref:CONG10D)					

⁵ Incumbent name inserted for Democratic districts; in Republican districts and open seats the generic "the Democratic candidate" was used.

⁶ Incumbent name inserted for Republican districts; in Democratic districts and open seats the generic "the Republican candidate" was used.

Q.26 Now, I am going to read you a list of words and phrases which people use to describe political figures. For each word or phrase, please tell me whether it describes (HOUSE INCUBMENT) very well, well, not too well or not well at all.⁷

	Very Well	Well	Not Too Well	Not Well At All	DK/ Ref	Total Well	Total Not Well	Well - Not
[500 Respondents]								
26 (SPLIT A) (DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) Too liberal								
	16	19	25	17	23	34	42	-8
Democratic Districts	16	19	25	17	23	34	42	-8
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	18	16	27	19	20	34	46	-11
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	13	21	23	16	27	34	39	-5
[750 Respondents]								
27 (SPLIT B) Fights for people here								
	20	28	22	12	17	49	35	14
Democratic Districts	20	27	22	13	18	47	35	13
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	19	25	23	14	19	44	36	8
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	21	29	22	11	17	50	33	17
Republican Districts	21	31	23	11	14	52	34	17
[750 Respondents]								
28 (SPLIT A) Shares your values								
	15	32	19	15	18	47	34	13
Democratic Districts	15	32	20	15	18	47	35	12
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	14	33	22	16	14	47	38	9
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	16	30	17	15	21	47	32	15
Republican Districts	15	32	17	15	20	48	33	15
[246 Respondents]								
29 (SPLIT A) (REP DISTRICTS ONLY)								
Too conservative ⁸								
	14	33	19	15	18	48	34	14
Republican Districts	14	33	19	15	18	48	34	14
[750 Respondents]								
30 (SPLIT B) Puts (HIS/HER) party in Washington ahead of people here								
	17	20	24	15	24	37	39	-2
Democratic Districts	20	19	23	14	24	39	36	3
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	18	15	25	15	26	33	41	-8
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	22	24	20	12	22	45	32	13
Republican Districts	13	21	27	17	23	33	44	-10

(ref:ATRIB)

⁷ Incumbent name inserted for all districts without party identification.

⁸ Switched from split B to split A after first night.

[750 Respondents]

Q.31 (SPLIT A) Now I am going to ask you something different. I am going to read a list of issues and I want you to tell me whether, overall, you think the Democrats or the Republicans would do a better job with this issue. If you do not know, just tell me and we will move on to the next item.

	Dem Much Btrr	Dem Smwt Btrr	Rep Smwt Btrr	Rep Much Btrr	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total Dem	Total Rep	Dem - Rep
31 The economy	22	22	18	22	1	6	8	44	41	4
Democratic Districts	23	18	18	24	1	6	8	42	42	-1
Tier 1 Dem District	24	16	16	24	0	10	9	40	40	0
Tier 2 Dem District	23	20	20	24	2	3	8	43	44	-1
Republican Districts	21	29	18	18	2	5	6	50	37	13
32 Taxes	16	21	21	29	0	4	10	36	50	-13
Democratic Districts	17	21	19	30	0	3	10	38	49	-11
Tier 1 Dem District	17	20	20	31	0	2	9	37	51	-14
Tier 2 Dem District	16	22	18	28	-	4	11	38	46	-8
Republican Districts	13	20	26	26	1	4	9	34	52	-19
33 Health care.....	32	14	16	23	1	5	9	46	39	7
Democratic Districts	31	13	15	26	1	5	9	44	41	3
Tier 1 Dem District	31	12	16	25	1	6	10	43	40	3
Tier 2 Dem District	30	14	15	27	2	4	9	44	41	3
Republican Districts	35	16	16	19	2	4	8	51	35	16
34 Energy policy	31	18	16	18	1	4	11	50	34	16
Democratic Districts	31	18	15	19	1	4	11	49	35	15
Tier 1 Dem District	34	16	12	21	1	3	12	51	34	17
Tier 2 Dem District	28	19	18	17	2	6	9	48	36	12
Republican Districts	32	20	17	15	1	4	12	51	32	20
35 The budget deficit	19	19	19	23	1	7	10	39	42	-3
Democratic Districts	19	18	19	25	1	7	10	38	44	-6
Tier 1 Dem District	21	17	19	25	1	9	9	38	44	-6
Tier 2 Dem District	18	20	19	24	1	6	12	38	44	-6
Republican Districts	20	22	19	20	2	8	10	42	39	3
36 Government spending.....	16	21	19	27	2	8	8	36	46	-9
Democratic Districts	17	20	17	30	1	7	8	37	47	-10
Tier 1 Dem District	14	22	18	30	2	7	8	36	48	-12
Tier 2 Dem District	19	19	16	29	1	8	8	38	45	-8
Republican Districts	14	22	22	22	4	8	9	36	44	-8

(ref:BETJOB)

[750 Respondents]

Q.37 (SPLIT B) Now I am going to ask you something different. I am going to read a list of issues and I want you to tell me whether, overall, you think Barack Obama or the Republicans would do a better job with this issue. If you do not know, just tell me and we will move on to the next item.

	BHO Much Btrr	BHO Smwt Btrr	Rep Smwt Btrr	Rep Much Btrr	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total BHO	Total Rep	BHO - Rep
37 The economy	29	18	14	27	1	3	8	48	41	7
Democratic Districts	28	19	14	27	1	2	9	47	41	6
Tier 1 Dem District	25	18	17	28	1	2	10	43	45	-2
Tier 2 Dem District	31	20	11	26	1	3	8	51	37	13
Republican Districts	32	17	14	25	-	5	6	49	40	9
38 Taxes	23	18	17	31	0	2	9	41	48	-7
Democratic Districts	23	17	17	31	0	2	10	40	48	-9
Tier 1 Dem District	21	20	19	29	0	3	9	40	48	-8
Tier 2 Dem District	25	15	16	33	-	2	10	40	49	-9
Republican Districts	23	19	16	31	-	2	7	43	48	-5
39 Health care.....	35	15	15	25	0	3	7	49	40	9
Democratic Districts	35	14	14	25	0	3	9	49	39	10
Tier 1 Dem District	36	12	16	24	-	4	8	48	40	8
Tier 2 Dem District	34	16	12	26	1	2	9	50	38	12
Republican Districts	34	16	16	25	-	4	5	50	41	9
40 Energy policy	35	19	14	21	0	2	10	54	34	19
Democratic Districts	36	18	14	22	-	1	9	54	35	19
Tier 1 Dem District	33	21	15	21	-	2	9	54	35	19
Tier 2 Dem District	39	15	13	23	-	1	9	55	36	19
Republican Districts	32	21	13	19	1	2	12	53	32	21
41 The budget deficit	24	17	19	26	0	5	8	42	45	-3
Democratic Districts	26	16	18	27	1	4	10	41	44	-3
Tier 1 Dem District	20	17	20	27	1	5	11	37	47	-10
Tier 2 Dem District	31	14	16	26	1	3	9	46	42	4
Republican Districts	22	20	20	25	-	7	5	42	45	-3
42 Government spending.....	23	16	16	30	1	5	9	40	46	-6
Democratic Districts	23	18	14	31	1	4	9	41	45	-4
Tier 1 Dem District	17	20	15	34	1	4	9	37	49	-12
Tier 2 Dem District	30	15	13	29	1	4	9	44	41	3
Republican Districts	23	14	21	26	0	7	9	37	47	-10

(ref:BETJOB2)

Q.43 Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. After I read each pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
[1436 Respondents]										
43 (DO NOT ASK IN OPEN SEATS) In 2010, I CAN'T vote to reelect (HOUSE INCUMBENT) because we need new people that will fix Washington and get things done. OR In 2010, I WILL vote to reelect (HOUSE INCUMBENT) because (HE/SHE) is doing a good job and addressing issues that are important to us ⁹	30	12	15	27	-	4	12	42	42	.
Democratic Districts	32	11	16	27	-	4	10	43	43	0
Tier 1 Dem District	33	13	16	24	-	4	9	46	41	5
Tier 2 Dem District	30	9	15	30	-	4	11	40	45	-5
Republican Districts	27	14	14	27	-	3	14	42	41	1

[471 Respondents]										
44 (DO NOT ASK IN OPEN SEATS) (REPUBLICAN DISTRICTS ONLY) In 2010 I really want to be able to vote for a Democrat for Congress because at least he or she will work with President Obama to bring the change we need. OR In 2010 I will vote for (HOUSE INCUMBENT) ⁶ because the Democratic Congress is just business as usual in Washington and more of the same tax and spend policies.	36	12	10	32	-	5	6	47	42	5
Republican Districts	36	12	10	32	-	5	6	47	42	5

⁹ Actual incumbent's name inserted. Question not asked of NH-02 and FL-12, where the incumbent has announced they are not running for reelection.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
[968 Respondents]										
45 (DO NOT ASK IN OPEN SEATS) (DEMOCRATIC DISTRICTS ONLY) In 2010 I will vote for (HOUSE INCUMBENT) ¹⁰ because (HE/SHE) is fighting for change and making progress addressing the problems our nation is facing.										
OR										
In 2010 I really want to be able to vote for a Republican for Congress because at least he or she won't be a rubber stamp for national Democrats and all of their wasteful spending										
	32	16	9	31	1	5	7	48	40	8
Democratic Districts	32	16	9	31	1	5	7	48	40	8
Tier 1 Dem District	30	16	10	31	1	5	7	46	41	5
Tier 2 Dem District	33	17	9	31	0	4	6	50	40	10

[750 Respondents]										
46 (SPLIT B) President Obama and the Democrats are mainly dealing with problems they inherited.										
OR										
President Obama and the Democrats are mainly dealing with problems of their own creation.....										
	51	7	6	27	3	2	4	58	33	25
Democratic Districts	50	6	7	29	3	3	4	55	36	20
Tier 1 Dem District	49	9	7	26	3	3	3	58	33	26
Tier 2 Dem District	50	2	6	32	2	2	5	52	38	14
Republican Districts	53	11	5	24	3	2	3	64	28	35

¹⁰ Actual incumbent's name inserted. Question not asked of NH-02, where the incumbent has announced they are not running for reelection.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
[750 Respondents]										
47 (SPLIT A) I am more worried that the president and Congress will fail to take strong action on important priorities like rebuilding our economy and reforming health care.										
OR										
I am more worried that the president and Congress will spend too much, leading to increased budget deficits and higher taxes.										
taxes.	28	10	12	42	1	5	2	38	55	-16
Democratic Districts	27	10	12	44	1	5	2	37	55	-18
Tier 1 Dem District	28	10	10	46	1	3	2	38	56	-18
Tier 2 Dem District	26	10	13	42	1	7	1	36	55	-19
Republican Districts	30	11	14	39	0	4	2	41	53	-12

(ref:VALUES06)

Q.48 As you may have heard, President Obama and the Democrats are preparing a plan to reform the health care system. From what you have heard about this plan, do you favor or oppose Obama and the Democrats' health care proposal?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Strongly favor.....	29	29	27	32	28
Somewhat favor.....	16	14	15	12	19
Somewhat oppose.....	7	7	9	6	7
Strongly oppose.....	39	41	42	41	34
(Don't know/refused).....	10	8	8	9	12
Total favor	44	43	42	45	47
Total oppose	46	49	51	47	41
Favor - Oppose	-2	-6	-9	-2	6

(ref:OBHCPROP)

Q.49 Now, I'm going to read you a short description of a health care reform plan that President Obama and the Democrats may propose.

This plan prohibits insurance companies from denying coverage for pre-existing conditions or dropping coverage when someone gets sick and requires those companies to cover preventive care. It creates a health insurance exchange where individuals can comparison shop among different private plans or a public insurance option.

The plan requires all Americans to have health insurance while subsidizing the cost for those with low and moderate incomes. It requires all companies to provide health insurance for their employees or contribute to a fund that will help pay for their coverage with small businesses getting help covering some of the cost.

The plan will be paid for by cutting spending for Medicaid and Medicare by 400 billion dollars over ten years and increasing the top income tax rate by about two points for households earning over 350,000 dollars.

Based on what you heard, do you favor or oppose this health care plan?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Strongly favor.....	27	28	27	29	26
Somewhat favor.....	21	19	19	19	26
Somewhat oppose.....	10	10	12	8	10
Strongly oppose.....	35	36	36	37	32
(Don't know/refused).....	6	6	6	7	6
Total favor	49	47	47	48	52
Total oppose	45	46	48	45	42
Favor - Oppose	4	1	-1	3	10

(ref:PACKAGE)

Q.50 (DEMOCRATIC DISTRICTS ONLY) Now let me read you some statements from supporters of Obama and the Democrats' health care plan. For each statement, please tell me how convincing a reason it is to support this health care plan -- is it a very convincing reason, a somewhat convincing reason, a little convincing, or not at all a convincing reason to support Obama and the Democrats' health care plan.

	Very Conv	Smwt Conv	A Little Conv	Not at All	DK/Ref	Very/ Conv	Little/ Not Conv
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[500 Respondents]

50 (SPLIT A) (STATUS QUO) Continuing the status quo in health care is not acceptable or sustainable. Keeping the status quo means insurance companies are still in charge, jacking up rates and denying coverage. It means more people losing insurance or enslaved to their job, prices skyrocketing for families and businesses and our companies less competitive. We need change so that people see lower costs and no longer lose coverage or get dropped for pre-existing conditions.....

.....	32	29	11	25	3	61	37
Democratic Districts	32	29	11	25	3	61	37
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	30	31	12	24	3	61	36
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	33	27	11	26	3	60	37

[500 Respondents]

51 (SPLIT B) (INSURANCE COMPANIES) The current health care system puts the power in the hands of insurance companies rather than people and medical professionals. The insurance companies are fighting to keep the status quo so they can keep hiking rates and using the fine print to drop people for a pre-existing condition or if they get sick. This plan takes power away from the insurance companies and gives people more choice and peace of mind.....

.....	34	25	12	27	2	59	39
Democratic Districts	34	25	12	27	2	59	39
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	32	26	12	28	2	57	40
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	37	24	12	25	2	61	37

	Very Conv	Smwt Conv	A Lttle Conv	Not at All	DK/ Ref	Very/ Smwt Conv	Lttle/ Not Conv
[500 Respondents]							
52 (SPLIT B) (SENIORS) Under this plan seniors would still receive Medicare coverage, just as they do now with no reductions in benefits. But the plan would also provide seniors with better prescription drug coverage by eliminating the so-called "donut hole" - the gap in Medicare coverage that forces millions of seniors to pay thousands of dollars out-of-pocket for prescription drugs.	36	26	10	26	2	62	36
Democratic Districts	36	26	10	26	2	62	36
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	36	27	11	23	3	64	34
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	35	25	9	29	2	60	39

[500 Respondents]							
53 (SPLIT A) (COST) This plan will make health care more affordable for people, businesses and the country by requiring insurance companies to cover wellness and preventive care, barring them from charging more because of age or preexisting conditions, and by creating an insurance exchange that allows individuals and businesses to comparison shop for private policies or a public health insurance option, driving costs down through competition.....	27	29	13	29	2	56	42
Democratic Districts	27	29	13	29	2	56	42
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	28	28	14	28	2	56	42
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	26	31	12	30	1	57	42

[500 Respondents]							
54 (SPLIT A) (SUPPORTERS) Groups of medical professionals like the American Nurses Association and the National Physicians Alliance, advocacy groups like the AARP and the Small Business Majority, and businesses like Wal-Mart, AT&T and General Mills are all supporting this reform because they know our current health care system is unsustainable and we must change it to bring costs down for families and businesses to get our economy back on track.	26	32	10	30	2	58	40
Democratic Districts	26	32	10	30	2	58	40
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	26	34	9	29	2	60	38
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	25	30	11	31	2	56	43

	Very Conv	Smwt Conv	A Little Conv	Not at All	DK/ Ref	Very/ Smwt Conv	Little/ Not Conv
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[500 Respondents]

55 (SPLIT B) (OFFER) This plan guarantees that if you like the doctor and plan you have now, you can keep them. It gives you the peace of mind of knowing that you can never lose your coverage if you get sick or lose your job. It makes health care more affordable for families, businesses and the country. And it shifts the power away from the insurance companies, to people and medical professionals.

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Democratic Districts	39	24	10	26	1	62	36
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	40	24	10	25	2	64	34
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	38	23	11	27	0	61	39

(ref:HCPOSMSG)

Q.56 (DEMOCRATIC DISTRICTS ONLY) Now let me read you some statements from opponents of Obama and the Democrats' health care plan. For each statement, please tell me how convincing a reason it is to oppose this health care plan -- is it a very convincing reason, a somewhat convincing reason, a little convincing, or not at all a convincing reason to oppose Obama and the Democrats' health care plan.

	Very Conv	Smwt Conv	A Little Conv	Not at All	DK/ Ref	Very/ Smwt Conv	Little/ Not Conv
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[500 Respondents]

56 (SPLIT A) (WASHINGTON BUREAUCRATS) No Washington bureaucrat should stand between your family and your doctor, but the Democrats' plan takes control of treatment away from patients and doctors and gives it to a committee of Washington politicians instead. We must preserve the sacred doctor-patient relationship and ensure that doctors are making the decisions, not federal bureaucrats.

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Democratic Districts	39	17	10	30	4	56	40
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	40	18	10	29	4	57	39
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	38	17	10	31	4	55	41

	Very Conv	Smwt Conv	A Little Conv	Not at All	DK/ Ref	Very/ Smwt Conv	Little/ Not Conv
[1000 Respondents]							
57 (DENIAL OF CARE) Americans should not have to wait weeks or months for treatment they need and no one should be denied the care they require because of government limits or rationing. But under the Democrats' government-run plan, politicians and bureaucrats would decide what treatments you can or can't have and make Americans wait in line to get the treatments they are allowed to receive.	37	20	8	31	3	58	39
Democratic Districts	37	20	8	31	3	58	39
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	39	20	7	31	3	59	38
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	36	21	9	32	2	57	41

[500 Respondents]							
58 (SPLIT B) (GOVERNMENT TAKEOVER) There's no doubt that we have a health care crisis, but the Democrats' plan for a government takeover of health care will mean Americans won't be able to choose their doctor and will get lower quality care. We have a 50 percent higher survival rate for cancer than anybody else in the world, yet the Democrats want to copy government-run systems like Canada or Britain.	32	22	6	37	4	54	43
Democratic Districts	32	22	6	37	4	54	43
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	33	22	5	36	3	56	41
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	31	21	6	37	4	52	44

[1000 Respondents]							
59 (COST) The federal government has already run up record deficits by spending trillions on the stimulus and bailing out the banks and auto industries. This expensive and risky plan will further bankrupt the country with trillions more in deficit spending and is paid for by cutting Medicare for seniors and raising taxes on Americans and small businesses at a time they can least afford it.	38	21	10	28	3	59	38
Democratic Districts	38	21	10	28	3	59	38
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	40	20	11	27	2	60	38
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	36	22	10	29	3	58	38

(ref:HCNEGMSG)

[1000 Respondents]

Q.60 (DEMOCRATIC DISTRICTS ONLY) Now, which TWO of the following are the best reasons to support the health care reform plan?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
The plan gives you the peace of mind of knowing that you'll never lose your coverage if you get sick or lose a job.....	33	33	33	34	-
The plan gets costs down by covering preventive care, barring insurance companies from unfairly raising rates and creates an insurance exchange to allow comparison shopping	23	23	27	20	-
The plan shifts control away from insurance companies who use fine print to raise rates and deny coverage and it gives people more choice.	22	22	19	24	-
We must change the status quo, otherwise rates will keep rising, insurance companies will still be in control and more people will lose their insurance.	19	19	19	19	-
The plan is supported by nurses, doctors, small businesses, the AARP, Wal-Mart and others.	17	17	18	16	-
The plan expands prescription drug coverage for seniors	15	15	14	15	-
(All)	2	2	1	2	-
(None).....	15	15	15	16	-
(Other)	2	2	3	2	-
(DK/Refuse)	11	11	11	12	-

(ref:STRNGSUP)

[1000 Respondents]

Q.61 (ASK IN DEM DISTRICTS ONLY) If (HOUSE INCUMBENT) voted in favor of this health care reform proposal, would it make you more or less likely to support (HOUSE INCUMBENT) for reelection in two years, or does it make no difference? ¹¹

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Much more likely.....	18	18	19	17	-
Somewhat more likely.....	14	14	13	15	-
No difference	35	35	36	34	-
Somewhat less likely	6	6	8	5	-
Much less likely.....	21	21	20	23	-
(Don't know/refused).....	6	6	5	7	-
Total more likely	32	32	32	32	-
Total less likely	28	28	28	27	-
More - Less.....	4	4	4	5	-

(ref:VTFORHCP)

[500 Respondents]

Q.62 (ASK IN REP DISTRICTS ONLY) If (HOUSE INCUMBENT) voted against this health care reform proposal, would it make you more or less likely to support (HOUSE INCUMBENT) for reelection in two years, or does it make no difference? ¹²

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Much more likely.....	22	-	-	-	22
Somewhat more likely.....	10	-	-	-	10
No difference	36	-	-	-	36
Somewhat less likely	12	-	-	-	12
Much less likely.....	17	-	-	-	17
(Don't know/refused).....	3	-	-	-	3
Total more likely	32	-	-	-	32
Total less likely	29	-	-	-	29
More - Less.....	3	-	-	-	3

(ref:VTAGNHCP)

¹¹ Incumbent name inserted without party identification; question not asked in the NH-02, where the incumbent has announced he will not seek reelection.

¹² Incumbent name inserted without party identification; question not asked in the FL-12, where the incumbent has announced he will not seek reelection.

Q.63 (DEMOCRATIC DISTRICTS ONLY) Now, I'm going to read you another pair of statements. After I read this pair, please tell me, after everything we've discussed about health care, whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
[500 Respondents]										
63 (SPLIT B) If President Obama and the Democrats in Congress pass health care reform, that will give me a lot of hope that change really can happen.										
OR										
If President Obama and the Democrats in Congress pass health care reform, I will be fearful that it will mean bigger government and higher taxes.	41	8	3	44	0	2	2	49	47	3
Democratic Districts	41	8	3	44	0	2	2	49	47	3
Tier 1 Dem District	42	6	2	46	0	1	3	49	48	1
Tier 2 Dem District	40	10	4	41	-	3	1	50	46	4

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
[500 Respondents]										
64 (SPLIT A) If President Obama and the Democrats in Congress fail to pass health care reform, that will be really dispiriting and make me think the Democrats can't bring change.										
OR										
If President Obama and the Democrats in Congress fail to pass health care reform, it will mean that common sense has been restored and America won't be embarking on too radical a course.										
	29	14	14	32	-	6	5	43	46	-2
Democratic Districts	29	14	14	32	-	6	5	43	46	-2
Tier 1 Dem District	32	14	13	32	-	5	4	46	45	1
Tier 2 Dem District	26	15	15	31	-	8	5	41	46	-5
(ref:FINHCPRS)										

[750 Respondents]

Q.65 (SPLIT A) From what you have heard, do you favor or oppose the energy bill that was recently passed by the House of Representatives?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Strongly favor.....	13	12	10	15	13
Somewhat favor.....	21	21	20	21	21
Somewhat oppose.....	9	11	12	9	7
Strongly oppose.....	20	22	24	20	18
(Don't know/refused).....	37	35	35	34	42
Total favor	33	33	30	36	34
Total oppose	30	32	36	29	24
Favor - Oppose	4	1	-6	7	9

(ref:ENERBILL)

[750 Respondents]

Q.66 (SPLIT B) From what you have heard, do you favor or oppose the energy bill called the American Clean Energy and Security Act that was recently passed by the House of Representatives?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Strongly favor.....	20	22	18	27	17
Somewhat favor.....	19	19	22	16	20
Somewhat oppose.....	6	7	7	7	5
Strongly oppose.....	23	26	27	25	19
(Don't know/refused).....	31	26	27	25	40
Total favor	40	42	40	43	36
Total oppose	30	32	33	32	24
Favor - Oppose	10	9	7	12	13

(ref:ENRBILLB)

[659 Respondents]

Q.67 (DO NOT ASK IN OPEN SEATS) (ASK ONLY IF 'Y' IN ENERGY BILL) As you may know (HOUSE INCUMBENT) voted in favor of the energy bill that recently passed the House. Does (HOUSE INCUMBENT) supporting the energy bill make you more or less likely to support (HOUSE INCUMBENT) for reelection in two years or does it make no difference?¹³

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Much more likely.....	12	13	13	13	2
Somewhat more likely.....	17	17	16	17	21
No difference	44	41	42	40	61
Somewhat less likely	4	4	5	3	1
Much less likely.....	18	19	17	20	9
(Don't know/refused).....	6	6	7	5	7
Total more likely	29	30	29	31	23
Total less likely	21	23	22	24	9
More - Less.....	8	7	7	7	13
(ref:VTFORENR)					

[780 Respondents]

Q.68 (DO NOT ASK IN OPEN SEATS) (ASK ONLY IF 'N' IN ENERGY BILL) As you may know (HOUSE INCUMBENT) voted against the energy bill that recently passed the House. Does (HOUSE INCUMBENT) opposing the energy bill make you more or less likely to support (HOUSE INCUMBENT) for reelection in two years or does it make no difference?⁸

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Much less likely.....	8	6	9	3	11
Somewhat less likely	8	7	4	9	10
No difference	53	60	59	61	47
Somewhat more likely.....	9	10	9	11	8
Much more likely.....	14	10	12	9	17
(Don't know/refused).....	7	7	8	7	7
Total less likely	17	13	13	12	21
Total more likely	23	20	20	20	25
Less - More.....	-6	-8	-7	-8	-5
(ref:VTAGNENR)					

¹³ Question asked based on incumbent's actual vote for the energy bill. The incumbent's name was inserted and the question not asked in the NH-02 and FL-12, where the incumbent has announced they are not running for reelection.

Q.69 (DEMOCRATIC DISTRICTS ONLY) Now, I am going to read you what some people say are some differences between the Democrats and the Republicans. For each one, please tell me if it is a difference that makes you MUCH MORE LIKELY to vote for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) in 2010, SOMEWHAT MORE LIKELY, or NO MORE LIKELY to vote for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) in 2010, or is it NOT A REAL DIFFERENCE between the Democrats and the Republicans.¹⁴

	Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	No More Lkly	Not Real Diff	(DK Ref)	Much Smwt More	No More Diff
[500 Respondents]							
69 (SPLIT A) Democrats are working to find real solutions to get our country back on the right track. Republicans are obstructing progress for political gain, instead of offering solutions.....	27	18	18	30	6	45	48
Democratic Districts	27	18	18	30	6	45	48
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	25	19	19	31	6	44	50
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	30	17	17	29	7	47	46

[500 Respondents]							
70 (SPLIT B) Democrats are working to bring the change we need to get our country back on track. Republicans want to keep us moving in the same direction that got us into this mess in the first place.....	30	15	23	24	8	45	47
Democratic Districts	30	15	23	24	8	45	47
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	31	12	23	27	7	43	50
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	29	18	23	22	9	47	44

[500 Respondents]							
71 (SPLIT A) Democrats are fighting to make the economy work for the middle class. Republicans are pushing policies that benefit only the wealthy and large corporations.	31	15	21	25	7	47	46
Democratic Districts	31	15	21	25	7	47	46
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	31	14	24	26	6	44	50
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	32	17	19	24	8	49	43

[500 Respondents]							
72 (SPLIT B) Democrats are fighting to give power back to the American people instead of special interests. Republicans are blocking change in order to protect the oil companies, insurance industry and other special interests.	31	17	21	26	5	48	47
Democratic Districts	31	17	21	26	5	48	47
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	31	15	18	31	4	46	50
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	31	19	23	21	6	50	44

¹⁴ Incumbent name inserted without party identification; question not asked in the NH-02, where the incumbent has announced he will not seek reelection.

	Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	No More Lkly	Not Real Diff	(DK Ref)	Much Smwt More	No More Diff
[500 Respondents]							
73 (SPLIT A) Democrats are taking action to get our economy moving and lay the foundation for long-term growth. Republicans are opposing the investments we need to create new businesses and quality jobs.	25	18	21	29	7	43	50
Democratic Districts	25	18	21	29	7	43	50
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	18	22	24	30	6	40	53
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	31	14	18	28	8	45	46

[500 Respondents]							
74 (SPLIT A) Democrats offer common sense solutions and try to represent mainstream and middle class America. The Republicans are being led by extremely partisan and ideological leaders, like Dick Cheney, Newt Gingrich and Rush Limbaugh.	29	14	21	29	7	42	50
Democratic Districts	29	14	21	29	7	42	50
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	25	15	24	29	7	40	53
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	32	12	19	29	8	44	48

[500 Respondents]							
75 (SPLIT B) Democrats offer common sense solutions and try to represent mainstream and middle class America. The Republicans seem extremely partisan and are focused on ideological battles, rather than mainstream issues.	27	15	24	28	6	42	52
Democratic Districts	27	15	24	28	6	42	52
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	27	13	24	30	6	40	54
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	26	18	24	26	6	44	50

(ref:DEMLIKEL)

Q.76 (DEMOCRATIC DISTRICTS ONLY) Now, I am going to read you what some people say are some differences between the Democrats and the Republicans. For each one, please tell me if it is a difference that makes you MUCH LESS LIKELY to vote for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) in 2010, SOMEWHAT LESS LIKELY, or NO LESS LIKELY to vote for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) in 2010, or is it NOT A REAL DIFFERENCE between the Democrats and the Republicans.¹⁵

	Much Less Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	No Less Lkly	Not Real Diff	(DK Ref)	Much Smwt Less	No Less Diff
[500 Respondents]							
76 (SPLIT B) Republicans will keep taxes low. Democrats will raise taxes on everyone including the middle class.							
	28	14	15	36	6	42	52
Democratic Districts	28	14	15	36	6	42	52
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	25	15	16	38	6	40	53
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	31	13	15	35	6	44	50

[500 Respondents]							
77 (SPLIT A) Republicans are working to rein in government spending. Democrats are supporting trillions in unnecessary spending that will bust the deficit.							
	24	15	17	35	9	40	51
Democratic Districts	24	15	17	35	9	40	51
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	27	15	15	36	7	42	51
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	22	16	18	34	11	38	52

[500 Respondents]							
78 (SPLIT A) Republicans are providing needed checks and balances and working for bipartisanship. Democrats are too much of a rubber stamp for President Obama and Nancy Pelosi and are ramming through a partisan agenda.							
	28	14	17	32	8	43	49
Democratic Districts	28	14	17	32	8	43	49
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	30	15	18	29	8	45	47
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	27	14	15	35	9	40	50

[500 Respondents]							
79 (SPLIT B) Republicans believe in small government and private ownership. Democrats are increasing the size of the federal government and have taken over the banks and auto industries.							
	36	14	15	29	6	50	45
Democratic Districts	36	14	15	29	6	50	45
Tier 1 Democratic Districts	32	13	17	32	5	46	49
Tier 2 Democratic Districts	39	15	13	27	6	54	40

¹⁵ Incumbent name inserted without party identification; question not asked in the NH-02, where the incumbent has announced he will not seek reelection.

Much Less Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	No Less Lkly	Not Real Diff	(DK Ref)	Much Smwt Less	No Less Diff
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[500 Respondents]

80 (SPLIT B) The Republicans are providing a necessary check on the power of President Obama and the Democratic Congress. The Democrats are too much of a rubber stamp for President Obama and Nancy Pelosi who are passing too many big, risky programs. 33 12 17 31 7 **45 48**

Democratic Districts 33 12 17 31 7 **45 48**

Tier 1 Democratic Districts 31 14 16 32 7 **45 48**

Tier 2 Democratic Districts 36 10 18 30 6 **45 48**

(ref:DEMNOLIK)

Q.81 (REPUBLICAN DISTRICTS ONLY) Now, I am going to read you what some people say are some differences between the Democrats and the Republicans. For each one, please tell me if it is a difference that makes you MUCH MORE LIKELY to vote for (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) in 2010, SOMEWHAT MORE LIKELY, or NO MORE LIKELY to vote for (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) in 2010, or is it NOT A REAL DIFFERENCE between the Democrats and the Republicans.¹⁶

Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	No More Lkly	Not Real Diff	(DK Ref)	Much Smwt More	No More Diff
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[250 Respondents]

81 (SPLIT B) Republicans will keep taxes low. Democrats will raise taxes on everyone including the middle class. 33 18 17 26 6 **51 44**

Republican Districts 33 18 17 26 6 **51 44**

[250 Respondents]

82 (SPLIT A) Republicans are working to rein in government spending. Democrats are supporting trillions in unnecessary spending that will bust the deficit. 28 18 20 27 6 **47 47**

Republican Districts 28 18 20 27 6 **47 47**

[250 Respondents]

83 (SPLIT A) Republicans are providing needed checks and balances and working for bipartisanship. Democrats are too much of a rubber stamp for President Obama and Nancy Pelosi and are ramming through a partisan agenda. 29 14 23 29 5 **43 52**

Republican Districts 29 14 23 29 5 **43 52**

¹⁶ Incumbent name inserted without party identification; question not asked in the FL-12, where the incumbent has announced he will not seek reelection.

Much More Lkly	Smwt More Lkly	No More Lkly	Not Real Diff	(DK Ref)	Much Smwt More	No More Diff
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[250 Respondents]

84 (SPLIT B) Republicans believe in small government and private ownership. Democrats are increasing the size of the federal government and have taken over the banks and auto industries.

.....	33	15	21	21	10	48	42
Republican Districts	33	15	21	21	10	48	42

[250 Respondents]

85 (SPLIT B) The Republicans are providing a necessary check on the power of President Obama and the Democratic Congress. The Democrats are too much of a rubber stamp for President Obama and Nancy Pelosi who are passing too many big, risky programs.

.....	31	15	16	28	11	46	44
Republican Districts	31	15	16	28	11	46	44

(ref:REPLIKEL)

Q.86 (REPUBLICAN DISTRICTS ONLY) Now, I am going to read you what some people say are some differences between the Democrats and the Republicans. For each one, please tell me if it is a difference that makes you MUCH LESS LIKELY to vote for (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) in 2010, SOMEWHAT LESS LIKELY, or NO LESS LIKELY to vote for (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) in 2010, or is it NOT A REAL DIFFERENCE between the Democrats and the Republicans. ¹⁷

Much Less Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	No Less Lkly	Not Real Diff	(DK Ref)	Much Smwt Less	No Less Diff
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[250 Respondents]

86 (SPLIT A) Democrats are working to find real solutions to get our country back on the right track. Republicans are obstructing progress for political gain, instead of offering solutions.

.....	31	13	18	27	11	44	45
Republican Districts	31	13	18	27	11	44	45

[250 Respondents]

87 (SPLIT B) Democrats are working to bring the change we need to get our country back on track. Republicans want to keep us moving in the same direction that got us into this mess in the first place.

.....	24	18	14	28	16	42	42
Republican Districts	24	18	14	28	16	42	42

¹⁷ Incumbent name inserted without party identification; question not asked in the FL-12, where the incumbent has announced he will not seek reelection.

	Much Less Lkly	Smwt Less Lkly	No Less Lkly	Not Real Diff	(DK Ref)	Much Smwt Less	No Less Diff
[250 Respondents]							
88 (SPLIT A) Democrats are fighting to make the economy work for the middle class. Republicans are pushing policies that benefit only the wealthy and large corporations.	34	16	16	24	9	50	40
Republican Districts	34	16	16	24	9	50	40

[250 Respondents]							
89 (SPLIT B) Democrats are fighting to give power back to the American people instead of special interests. Republicans are blocking change in order to protect the oil companies, insurance industry and other special interests.	23	18	14	32	13	41	46
Republican Districts	23	18	14	32	13	41	46

[250 Respondents]							
90 (SPLIT A) Democrats are taking action to get our economy moving and lay the foundation for long-term growth. Republicans are opposing the investments we need to create new businesses and quality jobs.	27	15	15	37	6	42	52
Republican Districts	27	15	15	37	6	42	52

[250 Respondents]							
91 (SPLIT A) Democrats offer common sense solutions and try to represent mainstream and middle class America. The Republicans are being led by extremely partisan and ideological leaders, like Dick Cheney, Newt Gingrich and Rush Limbaugh.	36	14	13	29	8	50	42
Republican Districts	36	14	13	29	8	50	42

[250 Respondents]							
92 (SPLIT B) Democrats offer common sense solutions and try to represent mainstream and middle class America. The Republicans seem extremely partisan and are focused on ideological battles, rather than mainstream issues.	21	18	19	31	11	39	50
Republican Districts	21	18	19	31	11	39	50

(ref:REPNOLIK)

Q.93 Now let me ask you again about your vote for Congress. If the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Democratic candidate	44	47	45	49	39
Lean Democratic candidate	4	4	4	5	4
Republican candidate	39	36	37	35	46
Lean Republican candidate	3	3	3	3	3
(Other candidate).....	1	1	1	1	2
Lean (Other candidate).....	0	0	0	0	0
(Undecided)	6	6	7	5	5
(Refused).....	2	2	2	2	2
Total Democratic candidate.....	48	51	48	53	43
Total Republican candidate.....	42	39	40	38	49
Total (Other candidate)	2	2	2	1	2
INIT Total Democratic candidate	46	48	47	49	41
Total Republican candidate	44	42	43	41	47
Total (Other candidate)	3	2	2	3	3
(Undecided).....	5	5	5	6	6
(Refused).....	2	2	3	2	3

(ref:RECONG06)

Q.95 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
1 - 11th grade	3	4	4	4	2
High School graduate	22	23	23	23	19
Non-college post H.S.....	1	1	2	1	1
Some college.....	25	25	24	25	26
College graduate	28	27	28	27	29
Post-graduate school.....	19	18	18	18	21
(Don't know/refused).....	2	2	2	2	2

(ref:EDUC)

Q.96 And have you or any member of your immediate family been unemployed at some point in the last year?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Yes: Respondent	17	16	15	17	17
Yes: Family Member.....	18	18	17	19	18
No	64	64	66	62	63
(Dk/Ref)	2	2	1	2	1

(ref:EMPLOY2)

Q.97 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Yes: Respondent belongs.....	12	12	11	13	13
Household member	8	8	7	9	9
No member belongs	78	79	80	77	77
(Don't know/Refused)	1	1	1	1	1
Union Household.....	21	20	18	22	22
Non College Non Union.....	39	41	42	41	36

(ref:UNION)

Q.98 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Married.....	66	65	66	65	66
Single.....	14	14	14	14	16
Separated/Divorced	10	10	10	10	8
Widowed.....	9	8	8	8	9
(Don't know/refused).....	2	2	2	2	1
Sep/Div/Wid.....	18	19	18	19	17

(ref:MARITAL)

Q.99 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Strong Democrat.....	25	27	26	28	20
Weak Democrat.....	13	10	10	11	18
Independent-lean Democrat	10	9	9	10	10
Independent.....	6	7	7	6	5
Independent-lean Republican.....	13	13	14	12	12
Weak Republican.....	12	12	12	11	12
Strong Republican	21	20	21	20	22
(Don't know/refused).....	1	2	1	2	1

(ref:PTYID1)

Q.102 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Liberal.....	18	18	19	18	18
Moderate.....	37	34	34	33	44
Conservative.....	41	44	44	45	35
(Don't know/refused).....	3	4	3	4	2

(ref:IDEO1)

Q.103 How often do you attend religious services -- every week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Every week	39	41	43	40	36
Once or twice a month.....	15	15	13	16	16
Several times a year	13	12	10	15	14
Hardly ever	23	23	26	20	23
(Never).....	6	6	5	7	7
(Don't know/Refused)	4	4	4	3	4

(ref:RELIG2)

[1487 Respondents]

Q.104 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Democrat Barack Obama	47	46	45	46	50
Republican John McCain.....	43	44	46	42	41
(Ralph Nader)	0	0	-	0	-
(Bob Barr)	0	0	-	1	0
(Other)	2	2	2	2	2
(DK/Refused)	7	7	7	8	6

(ref:VOTE2008)

[1487 Respondents]

Q.105 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for Congress, did you vote for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
House Democrat.....	45	52	49	55	32
House Republican	42	36	38	33	55
(Other candidate).....	3	2	2	3	3
(Did Not Vote for Congress)	2	2	2	2	2
(DK/Refused)	8	8	9	8	7

(ref:VTCG2008)

Q.106 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
White.....	78	79	82	76	76
African-American or Black	7	8	8	8	7
Hispanic or Latino	8	7	6	9	8
Native American	2	1	1	2	2
Asian.....	1	1	1	0	2
(Other)	1	1	1	1	2
(Don't know/Refused)	3	3	2	4	4

(ref:RACETHN)

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
Male	47	47	47	47	47
Female.....	53	53	53	53	53
(ref:GENDER)					

Q.6 In what year were you born?

	Total	Dem Dist	Tier 1 Dem	Tier 2 Dem	Rep Dist
18 - 24.....	5	4	3	5	7
25 - 29.....	5	5	7	3	5
30 - 34.....	9	9	11	7	8
35 - 39.....	7	7	6	9	7
40 - 44.....	8	7	6	9	9
45 - 49.....	11	12	12	12	11
50 - 54.....	10	10	9	11	10
55 - 59.....	10	10	9	11	11
60 - 64.....	10	10	11	9	10
Over 64.....	23	24	25	23	21
(No answer)	1	1	2	1	1
(ref:AGE)					