

# Democracy Corps - Congressional Battleground Frequency Questionnaire

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**500 Likely Voters in Tier 3 Democratic Districts (535 unweighted)**

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

	<b>Total</b>
Yes .....	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?

	<b>Total</b>
Voted .....	99
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young .....	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?

	<b>Total</b>
Voted .....	96
Not registered in 2006/Ineligible/too young .....	4
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?

	<b>Total</b>
Almost certain.....	83
Probably .....	16
50-50 .....	-
Will not vote.....	-
(Don't know) .....	1
(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?

	<b>Total</b>
Right direction .....	35
Wrong track .....	58
(Don't know/refused) .....	7
<b>Right - Wrong.....</b>	<b>-22</b>
(ref:DIRECT)	

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

	<b>Total</b>
Strongly approve .....	26
Somewhat approve .....	20
Somewhat disapprove.....	11
Strongly disapprove.....	36
(Don't know/refused) .....	7
<b>Total approve.....</b>	<b>46</b>
<b>Total disapprove.....</b>	<b>47</b>
(ref:BOAPP)	

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

	<b>Total</b>
Strongly approve .....	22
Somewhat approve .....	26
Somewhat disapprove.....	12
Strongly disapprove.....	19
(Don't know/refused) .....	21
<b>Total approve.....</b>	<b>48</b>
<b>Total disapprove.....</b>	<b>31</b>
(ref:CONGAPP)	

<sup>1</sup> The incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

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	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
11 The Republican Party .....	46.8	38	40	14	29	98	-2
12 The Democratic Party .....	47.0	39	44	22	31	98	-5
15 Barack Obama .....	49.3	45	42	28	33	99	2
16 (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE INCUMBENT <sup>2</sup> ) .....	53.4	39	28	21	18	88	12
19 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association ....	63.8	54	21	39	17	91	33
20 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	55.3	46	33	34	27	95	12
21 Gay marriage .....	30.4	23	59	17	56	94	-36

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.24 As you may know, there will be an election for your Representative to Congress in November next year. 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?

	Total
Definitely re-elect (Democratic Incumbent) .....	15
Probably re-elect (Democratic Incumbent).....	28
Probably vote for someone else.....	20
Definitely vote for someone else .....	19
(Depends on the person).....	5
(Don't know/Refused).....	12
<b>Total Re-elect.....</b>	<b>43</b>
<b>Total Someone Else .....</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Re-elect - Someone Else.....</b>	<b>4</b>

(ref:REELECT)

<sup>2</sup> The incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

Q.25 I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the election for Congress next year, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for – (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE<sup>3</sup>) or (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)?

	<b>Total</b>
Democratic Candidate.....	46
Lean Democratic Candidate.....	4
Republican Candidate.....	34
Lean Republican Candidate.....	3
(Other Candidate).....	3
Lean (Other Candidate).....	0
(Undecided).....	8
(Refused).....	1
<b>Total Democratic Candidate.....</b>	<b>50</b>
<b>Total Republican Candidate.....</b>	<b>38</b>
<b>Total (Other Candidate).....</b>	<b>3</b>
(ref:CONG10)	

Q.27 Even though you are not supporting (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress 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?

	<b>Total</b>
Fair chance.....	8
A small chance.....	10
Just a very slight chance.....	10
No chance at all.....	19
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
<b>Democratic Candidate Supporter.....</b>	<b>50</b>
(ref:CONG10C)	

Q.28 Even though you are not supporting (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress 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?

	<b>Total</b>
Fair chance.....	16
A small chance.....	12
Just a very slight chance.....	12
No chance at all.....	19
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
<b>Republican Candidate Supporter.....</b>	<b>38</b>
(ref:CONG10D)	

<sup>3</sup> Actual incumbent's name inserted.

Q.29 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	<b>Total</b>
1 - 11th grade .....	3
High School graduate.....	25
Non-college post H.S. ....	2
Some college.....	27
College graduate.....	26
Post-graduate school .....	16
(Don't know/refused) .....	1
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.30 And have you or any member of your immediate family been unemployed at some point in the last year?

	<b>Total</b>
Yes: Respondent.....	14
Yes: Family Member .....	15
No.....	70
(Dk/Ref) .....	1
(ref:EMPLOY2)	

Q.31 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	<b>Total</b>
Yes: Respondent belongs .....	10
Household member .....	9
No member belongs.....	80
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
<b>Union Household.....</b>	<b>19</b>
(ref:UNION)	

Q.32 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	<b>Total</b>
Married .....	67
Single .....	13
Separated/Divorced.....	9
Widowed.....	10
(Don't know/refused) .....	1
<b>Sep/Div/Wid.....</b>	<b>19</b>
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.33 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	<b>Total</b>
Strong Democrat .....	28
Weak Democrat.....	8
Independent-lean Democrat.....	8
Independent .....	9
Independent-lean Republican .....	14
Weak Republican .....	12
Strong Republican.....	19
(Don't know/refused) .....	2
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.36 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	<b>Total</b>
Liberal.....	18
Moderate .....	33
Conservative .....	45
(Don't know/refused) .....	4
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.37 How often do you attend religious services -- more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, several times a year, or hardly ever?

	<b>Total</b>
More than once a week .....	18
Once a week .....	32
Once or twice a month .....	15
Several times a year.....	11
Hardly ever .....	19
(Never) .....	2
(Don't know/refused) .....	4
<b>Once a week or more .....</b>	<b>50</b>
(ref:RELIG2)	

**[494 Respondents]**

Q.38 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	<b>Total</b>
Democrat Barack Obama.....	41
Republican John McCain .....	46
(Ralph Nader).....	0
(Bob Barr).....	0
(Other) .....	3
(DK/Refused).....	9
(ref:VOTE2008)	

**[494 Respondents]**

Q.39 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for Congress, did you vote for (DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE)?

	<b>Total</b>
House Democrat .....	55
House Republican .....	28
(Other candidate) .....	2
(Did Not Vote for Congress) .....	2
(DK/Refused).....	13
(ref:VTCG2008)	

Q.40 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	<b>Total</b>
White .....	83
African-American or Black.....	8
Hispanic or Latino.....	3
Native American .....	2
Asian .....	1
(Other) .....	0
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
(ref:RACETHN)	

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	<b>Total</b>
Male.....	47
Female .....	53
(ref:GENDER)	

Q.6 In what year were you born?

	<b>Total</b>
18 - 24 .....	5
25 - 29 .....	5
30 - 34 .....	9
35 - 39 .....	7
40 - 44 .....	9
45 - 49 .....	10
50 - 54 .....	7
55 - 59 .....	11
60 - 64 .....	10
Over 64.....	25
(No answer).....	2
(ref:AGE)	