

Democracy Corps Frequency Questionnaire

October 15-18, 2011
1000 Likely Voters

Q.5 First of all, are you registered to vote?

	Total
Yes	100
No	-
(Refused)	-
(ref:SCREEN1)	

Q.6 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
Voted	96
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young	4
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know)	-
(Refused)	-
(ref:VOTE08)	

Q.7 As you may know, there was an election last November for Congress and other offices. 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
Voted	80
Did not vote	17
Not registered/ineligible/too young	1
(Can't remember/Don't know)	2
(Refused)	-
(ref:VOTE10)	

Q.11 I know it is a long way off, but what are the chances of your voting in the election for President and Congress in 2012: 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	91
Probably.....	9
50-50.....	-
Will not vote	-
(Don't know).....	-
(Refused)	-
(ref:CP10)	

Q.12 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	15
Wrong track.....	76
(Don't know/Refused).....	9
Right - Wrong	-61
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.13 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	Total
Strongly approve	21
Somewhat approve	19
Somewhat disapprove.....	11
Strongly disapprove	42
(Don't know/Refused).....	7
Total approve	40
Total disapprove	53
(ref:BOAPP)	

Q.14 Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job in charge of the House of Representatives?

	Total
Strongly approve	9
Somewhat approve	18
Somewhat disapprove.....	17
Strongly disapprove	48
(Don't know/Refused).....	8
Total approve	27
Total disapprove	65
(ref:REPAPP)	

Q.15 Now, I'd like you 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.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
15 The Republican Party.....	41.9	30	49	12	33	97	-19
16 The Democratic Party	43.1	34	49	15	33	97	-15
17 The Republican Congress.....	39.2	27	51	9	36	97	-24
18 Democrats in Congress.....	41.3	31	50	11	35	97	-19
19 Barack Obama	47.8	44	45	30	38	98	-1
[279 Respondents]							
20 (DEM HOUSE INCUMBENT) ¹ (ASK ONLY IN LANDLINE SAMPLE)	57.5	41	20	24	14	74	21
[540 Respondents]							
20 (REP HOUSE INCUMBENT) ¹ (ASK ONLY IN LANDLINE SAMPLE)	49.1	30	29	15	19	73	1
21 Mitt Romney.....	43.3	25	40	9	25	85	-15
[500 Respondents]							
22 (SPLIT A) Herman Cain	46.0	28	32	14	22	71	-4
23 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	54.5	45	31	27	24	92	14
24 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups	47.7	35	40	23	31	95	-5
[500 Respondents]							
25 (SPLIT B) Labor unions.....	44.7	33	42	15	30	94	-9
26 Gay marriage	43.4	34	43	25	39	94	-10
29 The state of the economy.....	26.2	9	80	2	55	99	-71

¹ The applicable incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
30 Wall Street	33.7	18	58	5	43	94	-40
31 The Tea Party movement.....	40.2	30	49	16	39	92	-19
32 The new health care reform law	35.8	28	49	11	42	88	-21
[500 Respondents]							
33 (SPLIT A) A plan to dramatically reduce the deficit over the next five years.....	60.3	49	25	34	17	92	24
[500 Respondents]							
34 (SPLIT B) A plan to invest in new industries and rebuild the country over the next five years.....	63.6	57	19	35	11	92	38
35 The future of the middle class	41.3	23	50	9	30	94	-27
37 Banks and financial institutions in the United States	35.5	19	59	6	39	97	-39
(ref:THERM04/204/205)							

Q.38 I know it's a long way off, but thinking about the presidential election in 2012, if the election for president were held today and the candidates were Democrat Barack Obama and Republican Mitt Romney, for whom would you vote?

	Total
Democrat Barack Obama.....	42
Lean Democrat Barack Obama	3
Republican Mitt Romney	43
Lean Republican Mitt Romney	2
(Other candidate)	4
Lean (Other candidate)	1
(Undecided)	4
(Refused)	1
(Will not vote in 2012)	1
Total Democrat Barack Obama	45
Total Republican Mitt Romney	45
Total (Other candidate)	5
(ref:PREZ12A)	

Q.40 Even though you are not supporting Democrat Barack Obama now, what are the chances that you might support Democrat Barack Obama in the election for President in 2012 -- is there a fair chance that you might support Democrat Barack Obama, a small chance, just a very slight chance, or no chance at all that you might support Democrat Barack Obama?

	Total
Fair chance	4
A small chance.....	5
Just a very slight chance	7
No chance at all	39
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
 Obama Supporter.....	 45
(ref:PREZVCS1)	

Q.41 Even though you are not supporting Republican Mitt Romney now, what are the chances that you might support Republican Mitt Romney in the election for President in 2012 -- is there a fair chance that you might support Republican Mitt Romney, a small chance, just a very slight chance, or no chance at all that you might support Republican Mitt Romney?

	Total
Fair chance	8
A small chance.....	9
Just a very slight chance	10
No chance at all	27
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
 Romney Supporter.....	 45
(ref:PREZVCS2)	

Q.42 I know it is a long way off, but thinking about the elections for Congress in 2012, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)²?

	Total
Democratic candidate	43
Lean Democratic candidate.....	3
Republican candidate.....	42
Lean Republican candidate.....	3
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	1
(Undecided)	6
(Refused)	1
(Will not vote in 2012)	0
Total Democratic candidate.....	46
Total Republican candidate.....	45
Total (Other candidate).....	2

(ref:CONG10)

Q.44 How interested would you say you are in national issues, like elections and legislative debates in Washington or in your state capitol -- extremely interested, very interested, somewhat interested, or not very interested?

	Total
Extremely interested	23
Very interested.....	40
Somewhat interested	30
Not very interested	8
(Don't know/Refused).....	0
Extremely/Very	62
Somewhat/Not	37

(ref:INTERE)

² In the landline sample, the incumbent names were inserted preceded by party identification. Generic "the Democratic candidate" or "the Republican candidate" were inserted for the opposition. For the cell phone sample and open seat districts, both candidates were given as generic.

Q.45 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	Nthr	DK/ Ref	Total Dem Btrr	Total Rep Btrr	Dem - Rep
45 The economy	21	17	19	25	1	7	11	37	44	-7
46 Has the right approach to jobs	21	19	19	21	0	9	10	41	41	0
47 Has the right approach to spending and deficits	17	17	22	25	1	9	10	33	47	-14
48 Standing up for the middle class	32	16	18	18	1	8	6	48	36	12
[500 Respondents]										
49 (SPLIT A) Has the right approach to business and big businesses	18	16	21	26	1	6	12	34	47	-14
[500 Respondents]										
50 (SPLIT B) Has the right approach to banks and financial institutions..... (ref:BETJOB)	17	22	24	15	1	11	11	39	38	1

Q.94 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
1 - 11th grade.....	3
High School graduate.....	19
Non-college post H.S.	2
Some college	28
College graduate.....	28
Post-graduate school	19
(Don't know/Refused)..... (ref:EDUC)	1

Q.95 And have you or any member of your immediate family been unemployed at some point in the last year? (IF YES) Was that you or a family member who was unemployed?

	Total
Yes: Respondent.....	17
Yes: Family Member	26
No	54
(Dk/Ref)	2
Total Yes.....	44
(ref:EMPLOY2)	

Q.96 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes: Respondent belongs	13
Household member.....	7
No member belongs.....	77
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
Union Household	20
(ref:UNION)	

Q.97 Are you married, single, living with a partner, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married.....	64
Single.....	16
Separated/Divorced	9
Widowed	6
Living with a partner	4
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
Sep/Div/Wid	15
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.98 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat.....	23
Weak Democrat	12
Independent-lean Democrat.....	10
Independent.....	9
Independent-lean Republican	13
Weak Republican	13
Strong Republican.....	18
(Don't know/Refused).....	3
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.101 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal	19
Moderate.....	36
Conservative	39
(Don't know/Refused).....	7
(ref:IDEO1)	

Q.102 Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not? (FOLLOW UP IF SUPPORTER) And would that be a strong or not so strong supporter?

	Total
Strong supporter	16
Not so strong supporter.....	16
Not a supporter	60
(Don't know/Refused).....	8
Total Supporter	32
(ref:TEASUPP)	

[181 Respondents]

Q.103 (ASK IN CELL SAMPLE ONLY) Now, thinking about your telephone use, is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

	Total
Yes	28
No	72
(Don't Know/Refused)	-
(ref:LANDLINE)	

[819 Respondents]

Q.104 (ASK IN LANDLINE SAMPLE ONLY) Now thinking about your telephone use, do you have a working cell phone?

	Total
Yes	85
No	12
(Don't Know/Refused)	3
(ref:CELLLINE)	

[746 Respondents]

Q.105 (DO NOT ASK IF NO IN LANDLINE) (DO NOT ASK IF NO OR DK/REF IN CELLLINE) Of all the personal telephone calls that you receive, do you get..

	Total
All or almost all calls on a cell phone.....	28
Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone.....	39
All or almost all calls on a regular home phone	32
(Don't Know/Refused)	1
(ref:DUALUSE)	

Phone use table

	Total
Cell Only	13
Cell Mostly	21
Dual User.....	29
Landline Mostly	24
Landline Only	10
Landline Unknown.....	3
Cell Mostly (from Cell Sample).....	5
Cell Mostly (from Landline Sample).....	16

Q.106 What is your religion?

	Total
Protestant	54
Catholic.....	18
Jewish.....	2
Muslim	0
(Don't know/Refused).....	26
(ref:RELIG1)	

Q.107 Generally speaking, would you say that you are wealthy, middle class, working class, poor, or something else? (IF MIDDLE CLASS) And would you say that you are upper middle class, middle class, or lower middle class?

	Total
Wealthy.....	2
Upper middle class.....	11
Middle class	39
Lower middle class.....	9
Working class.....	25
Poor	7
(Other)	3
(Don't know/Refused).....	5
Total Middle class	58
(ref:CLASS)	

[803 Respondents]

Q.108 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE10) Now let me ask you about the election for Congress last November. Did you vote for -- (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)³?

	Total
(2010 HOUSE DEMOCRAT).....	41
(2010 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)	43
(Other candidate)	3
(Did Not Vote for Congress)	3
(Don't Know/Refused)	11
(ref:VTCG2010)	

[961 Respondents]

Q.109 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total
Democrat Barack Obama.....	46
Republican John McCain	43
(Ralph Nader)	0
(Bob Barr)	0
(Other)	2
(Don't Know/Refused)	8
(ref:VOTE2008)	

Q.110 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White.....	75
African-American or Black.....	12
Hispanic or Latino	9
Native American.....	1
Asian.....	1
(Other)	0
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:RACETHN)	

Q.4 Respondent's gender

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

³ Actual candidate names were inserted preceded by party identifications for all districts. In unopposed districts, a generic candidate was used as the opposition. In the cell sample, “the Democratic candidate” and “the Republican candidate” were used.

Q.8 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24.....	7
25 - 29.....	8
30 - 34.....	9
35 - 39.....	8
40 - 44.....	8
45 - 49.....	11
50 - 54.....	8
55 - 59.....	9
60 - 64.....	12
65 and over.....	20
(No answer).....	1
(ref:AGE)	