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1. Trust in U.S. government

How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Just about always | 1.5% | 1.5% | 1.5% | 1.5% | 0.5% | 8.7% | 1.3% | 0.9% | 2.0% | 1.7% | 2.3% | 0.6% |
| Most of the time | 14.3% | 15.8% | 13.0% | 17.5% | 13.3% | 18.1% | 18.8% | 14.0% | 14.7% | 15.5% | 10.4% | 15.4% |
| Some of the time | 45.9% | 47.7% | 46.1% | 41.8% | 45.3% | 51.8% | 42.9% | 38.6% | 52.6% | 41.0% | 47.8% | 51.3% |
| Almost never | 33.2% | 24.8% | 35.3% | 39.2% | 36.3% | 17.2% | 25.5% | 43.2% | 23.8% | 32.9% | 35.8% | 31.7% |
| Don't Know | 5.1% | 10.3% | 4.2% | 0.0% | 4.6% | 4.2% | 11.5% | 3.2% | 6.9% | 8.7% | 3.7% | 1.0% |
| Totals | 100.0% (998) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (677) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (809) | 100.0% (108) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (492) | 100.0% (506) | 100.0% (370) | 100.0% (265) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Just about always | 1.5% | 3.8% | 0.0% | 0.0% | 2.2% | 1.3% | 1.8% | 1.3% | 0.3% | 3.2% | 0.3% | 3.0% | 0.8% | 0.4% |
| Most of the time | 14.3% | 24.0% | 4.5% | 10.4% | 25.5% | 17.9% | 4.9% | 9.7% | 20.5% | 12.7% | 13.0% | 16.9% | 12.3% | 13.6% |
| Some of the time | 45.9% | 57.2% | 41.8% | 39.8% | 57.6% | 51.6% | 33.8% | 54.3% | 43.9% | 42.4% | 48.1% | 42.7% | 49.4% | 49.0% |
| Almost never | 33.2% | 10.9% | 49.9% | 44.1% | 13.7% | 26.0% | 55.6% | 31.5% | 28.8% | 35.6% | 35.2% | 31.0% | 35.6% | 32.8% |
| Don't Know | 5.1% | 4.0% | 3.7% | 5.7% | 1.0% | 3.2% | 3.9% | 3.2% | 6.5% | 6.1% | 3.4% | 6.5% | 1.9% | 4.3% |
| Totals | 100.0% (998) | 100.0% (351) | 100.0% (277) | 100.0% (284) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (342) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (375) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (412) | 100.0% (146) |

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2. Most trusted part of government

Which part of the government do you trust most to do what's right?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Congress | 4.9% | 6.9% | 3.5% | 7.3% | 5.2% | 5.1% | 1.5% | 4.2% | 5.5% | 3.4% | 3.9% | 7.7% |
| The Supreme Court | 27.9% | 31.0% | 26.8% | 27.3% | 31.1% | 6.4% | 27.1% | 33.4% | 22.9% | 20.8% | 31.0% | 35.8% |
| The President | 27.8% | 26.1% | 28.5% | 27.6% | 21.7% | 59.9% | 41.3% | 24.5% | 30.8% | 28.8% | 26.5% | 27.3% |
| Political parties | 2.7% | 3.5% | 2.7% | 1.4% | 2.9% | 1.8% | 2.4% | 3.6% | 1.9% | 2.8% | 3.6% | 1.9% |
| Don't Know | 36.7% | 32.5% | 38.5% | 36.4% | 39.1% | 26.8% | 27.7% | 34.4% | 38.9% | 44.2% | 35.0% | 27.4% |
| Totals | 100.0% (984) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (669) | 100.0% (132) | 100.0% (795) | 100.0% (109) | 100.0% (80) | 100.0% (479) | 100.0% (505) | 100.0% (368) | 100.0% (259) | 100.0% (357) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Congress | 4.9% | 4.3% | 9.0% | 2.6% | 4.8% | 5.1% | 5.8% | 6.4% | 4.2% | 4.9% | 4.6% | 3.9% | 5.6% | 5.2% |
| The Supreme Court | 27.9% | 21.2% | 37.3% | 33.0% | 20.6% | 35.7% | 32.9% | 35.0% | 22.3% | 24.0% | 35.3% | 20.6% | 31.7% | 40.7% |
| The President | 27.8% | 50.7% | 4.3% | 21.9% | 56.1% | 31.3% | 8.5% | 21.7% | 33.3% | 24.7% | 30.1% | 31.5% | 28.8% | 19.9% |
| Political parties | 2.7% | 2.4% | 4.5% | 2.5% | 1.5% | 1.9% | 5.5% | 2.9% | 1.6% | 3.9% | 2.0% | 3.2% | 3.1% | 1.2% |
| Don't Know | 36.7% | 21.3% | 44.9% | 39.9% | 17.0% | 26.0% | 47.2% | 34.0% | 38.6% | 42.4% | 28.0% | 40.7% | 30.8% | 33.1% |
| Totals | 100.0% (984) | 100.0% (350) | 100.0% (270) | 100.0% (278) | 100.0% (214) | 100.0% (315) | 100.0% (332) | 100.0% (146) | 100.0% (232) | 100.0% (373) | 100.0% (233) | 100.0% (335) | 100.0% (401) | 100.0% (146) |

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3. Least trusted part of government

Which part of the government do you trust least to do what's right?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Congress | 29.4% | 23.3% | 29.8% | 38.2% | 31.8% | 20.6% | 18.0% | 32.1% | 26.8% | 25.3% | 29.4% | 35.1% |
| The Supreme Court | 3.3% | 4.4% | 3.2% | 1.6% | 2.5% | 9.5% | 1.8% | 2.8% | 3.6% | 3.5% | 3.7% | 2.6% |
| The President | 15.8% | 15.3% | 16.2% | 14.5% | 17.7% | 3.9% | 13.3% | 19.6% | 12.1% | 14.8% | 17.8% | 15.6% |
| Political parties | 35.3% | 33.8% | 36.0% | 34.9% | 32.5% | 48.0% | 44.1% | 36.2% | 34.4% | 29.7% | 37.2% | 41.8% |
| Don't Know | 16.4% | 23.2% | 14.8% | 10.8% | 15.4% | 18.0% | 22.9% | 9.1% | 23.1% | 26.7% | 11.8% | 5.0% |
| Totals | 100.0% (1,000) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (679) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (810) | 100.0% (109) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (492) | 100.0% (508) | 100.0% (372) | 100.0% (265) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Congress | 29.4% | 24.8% | 35.0% | 34.7% | 26.7% | 31.2% | 36.8% | 28.0% | 28.2% | 30.5% | 29.5% | 26.1% | 32.7% | 36.2% |
| The Supreme Court | 3.3% | 4.3% | 1.7% | 3.4% | 4.4% | 3.0% | 3.9% | 3.9% | 2.3% | 3.5% | 3.5% | 4.7% | 2.3% | 3.4% |
| The President | 15.8% | 5.8% | 35.6% | 11.8% | 6.1% | 9.5% | 31.5% | 14.8% | 16.9% | 16.2% | 14.5% | 14.9% | 17.2% | 14.1% |
| Political parties | 35.3% | 47.7% | 17.1% | 38.4% | 54.1% | 44.8% | 17.6% | 44.2% | 33.8% | 28.8% | 41.3% | 33.3% | 36.9% | 38.5% |
| Don't Know | 16.4% | 17.5% | 10.6% | 11.7% | 8.7% | 11.4% | 10.3% | 9.2% | 18.8% | 20.9% | 11.3% | 21.0% | 10.8% | 7.7% |
| Totals | 100.0% (1,000) | 100.0% (352) | 100.0% (277) | 100.0% (285) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (342) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (377) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (412) | 100.0% (146) |

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4. Support for affirmative action, version A

Are you in favor of affirmative action? (Asked of half of respondents)

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Favor | 26.5% | 24.7% | 27.2% | 26.3% | 21.3% | 75.9% | 30.1% | 29.4% | 23.5% | 24.6% | 30.0% | 26.7% |
| Oppose | 37.1% | 32.8% | 34.6% | 53.9% | 42.7% | 3.6% | 13.4% | 41.1% | 33.0% | 28.7% | 37.1% | 48.1% |
| Not sure | 36.4% | 42.5% | 38.2% | 19.8% | 35.9% | 20.5% | 56.5% | 29.5% | 43.4% | 46.8% | 33.0% | 25.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% (478) | 100.0% (84) | 100.0% (327) | 100.0% (67) | 100.0% (401) | 100.0% (38) | 100.0% (39) | 100.0% (239) | 100.0% (239) | 100.0% (180) | 100.0% (120) | 100.0% (178) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Favor | 26.5% | 43.9% | 9.6% | 23.7% | 50.1% | 28.4% | 11.7% | 27.5% | 27.7% | 30.4% | 18.4% | 30.1% | 26.8% | 32.6% |
| Oppose | 37.1% | 15.6% | 67.8% | 39.9% | 14.1% | 31.1% | 66.0% | 36.8% | 33.8% | 37.7% | 39.7% | 29.0% | 42.4% | 44.6% |
| Not sure | 36.4% | 40.5% | 22.6% | 36.4% | 35.8% | 40.5% | 22.3% | 35.7% | 38.5% | 31.9% | 41.9% | 40.8% | 30.8% | 22.8% |
| Totals | 100.0% (478) | 100.0% (156) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (141) | 100.0% (97) | 100.0% (153) | 100.0% (174) | 100.0% (76) | 100.0% (110) | 100.0% (185) | 100.0% (107) | 100.0% (168) | 100.0% (194) | 100.0% (63) |

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5. Support for affirmative action, version B

Are you in favor of affirmative action programs for racial and ethnic minorities? (Asked of half of respondents)

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Favor | 26.2% | 25.0% | 28.0% | 20.3% | 20.0% | 55.6% | 34.2% | 22.1% | 29.7% | 20.7% | 27.0% | 33.8% |
| Oppose | 41.1% | 36.8% | 41.6% | 47.6% | 48.7% | 10.1% | 23.1% | 52.8% | 31.0% | 36.1% | 45.1% | 45.7% |
| Not sure | 32.7% | 38.2% | 30.4% | 32.1% | 31.3% | 34.2% | 42.7% | 25.1% | 39.3% | 43.3% | 27.9% | 20.5% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (520) | (99) | (350) | (71) | (409) | (69) | (42) | (253) | (267) | (191) | (144) | (185) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Favor | 26.2% | 43.9% | 6.1% | 21.9% | 54.5% | 27.4% | 7.7% | 24.0% | 29.1% | 21.4% | 30.9% | 28.0% | 31.5% | 21.7% |
| Oppose | 41.1% | 18.4% | 74.7% | 53.4% | 19.2% | 35.9% | 72.7% | 48.4% | 43.8% | 38.9% | 37.8% | 30.3% | 43.0% | 58.4% |
| Not sure | 32.7% | 37.7% | 19.2% | 24.7% | 26.3% | 36.7% | 19.5% | 27.6% | 27.1% | 39.6% | 31.3% | 41.7% | 25.5% | 19.9% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (520) | (194) | (139) | (144) | (117) | (167) | (168) | (71) | (128) | (190) | (131) | (170) | (217) | (83) |

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6. Importance of diversity of Supreme Court Justices

How important is it to have ethnic and gender diversity on the Supreme Court?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Very important | 31.2% | 34.3% | 32.0% | 21.9% | 25.6% | 58.3% | 46.6% | 27.4% | 34.6% | 28.2% | 36.8% | 31.3% |
| Somewhat important | 26.5% | 31.4% | 25.7% | 21.0% | 26.9% | 22.8% | 27.3% | 20.1% | 32.4% | 24.7% | 26.7% | 28.8% |
| Not very important | 9.7% | 9.5% | 10.1% | 8.1% | 10.8% | 4.8% | 5.7% | 13.1% | 6.5% | 11.7% | 5.9% | 9.5% |
| Shouldn't be a consideration | 32.7% | 24.8% | 32.2% | 49.0% | 36.7% | 14.1% | 20.4% | 39.4% | 26.5% | 35.4% | 30.7% | 30.3% |
| Totals | 100.0% (1,000) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (679) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (810) | 100.0% (109) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (492) | 100.0% (508) | 100.0% (372) | 100.0% (265) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|------------------------------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Very important | 31.2% | 48.6% | 10.1% | 25.5% | 57.9% | 35.2% | 9.9% | 34.4% | 24.0% | 31.0% | 36.8% | 34.7% | 32.2% | 29.0% |
| Somewhat important | 26.5% | 27.8% | 22.5% | 27.4% | 23.0% | 31.5% | 19.3% | 20.8% | 32.6% | 26.7% | 23.2% | 29.5% | 23.8% | 27.6% |
| Not very important | 9.7% | 5.3% | 17.7% | 10.6% | 4.1% | 10.8% | 15.3% | 10.9% | 11.3% | 10.3% | 6.4% | 8.8% | 9.8% | 14.2% |
| Shouldn't be a consideration | 32.7% | 18.3% | 49.7% | 36.6% | 15.1% | 22.6% | 55.4% | 33.8% | 32.1% | 32.0% | 33.6% | 27.0% | 34.2% | 29.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% (1,000) | 100.0% (352) | 100.0% (277) | 100.0% (285) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (342) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (377) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (412) | 100.0% (146) |

7. Test-based job promotions

In a case recently heard by the U.S. Supreme Court, a city used a test to determine which firefighters should receive promotions. No black firefighters scored high enough to be promoted, so the city decided not to offer any promotions because it feared a lawsuit over the test's disparate impact on a protected minority. Do you think that a city should be allowed to use a test for promotions that results in no blacks being promoted?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Yes | 48.5% | 48.2% | 47.4% | 53.4% | 54.2% | 18.1% | 35.8% | 54.3% | 43.0% | 41.6% | 52.8% | 55.1% |
| No | 34.4% | 32.1% | 36.0% | 31.6% | 29.3% | 67.5% | 38.2% | 31.0% | 37.7% | 39.4% | 33.3% | 28.2% |
| Not sure | 17.1% | 19.7% | 16.6% | 15.0% | 16.5% | 14.5% | 25.9% | 14.7% | 19.3% | 19.0% | 13.9% | 16.7% |
| Totals | 100.0% (999) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (678) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (809) | 100.0% (109) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (491) | 100.0% (508) | 100.0% (372) | 100.0% (264) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Yes | 48.5% | 32.6% | 69.4% | 56.3% | 34.5% | 47.3% | 71.3% | 56.0% | 45.6% | 47.7% | 48.1% | 40.8% | 53.5% | 59.4% |
| No | 34.4% | 45.5% | 26.4% | 25.1% | 44.0% | 32.7% | 23.0% | 28.9% | 41.8% | 34.1% | 30.7% | 41.2% | 32.1% | 24.7% |
| Not sure | 17.1% | 21.9% | 4.3% | 18.6% | 21.4% | 19.9% | 5.8% | 15.2% | 12.6% | 18.2% | 21.2% | 18.0% | 14.3% | 16.0% |
| Totals | 100.0% (999) | 100.0% (351) | 100.0% (277) | 100.0% (285) | 100.0% (214) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (342) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (377) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (411) | 100.0% (146) |

8. Race considerations in job promotions

Do you think race should ever be factor in deciding who gets promoted for a job?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Yes | 7.3% | 3.9% | 8.7% | 7.1% | 6.7% | 14.1% | 3.6% | 9.2% | 5.4% | 5.5% | 6.7% | 10.1% |
| No | 85.3% | 87.1% | 84.3% | 86.6% | 86.5% | 75.4% | 88.0% | 84.8% | 85.9% | 87.0% | 86.8% | 81.9% |
| Not sure | 7.4% | 9.0% | 7.0% | 6.2% | 6.9% | 10.5% | 8.4% | 6.0% | 8.7% | 7.5% | 6.4% | 8.0% |
| Totals | 100.0% (1,000) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (679) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (810) | 100.0% (109) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (492) | 100.0% (508) | 100.0% (372) | 100.0% (265) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------|-------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Yes | 7.3% | 12.0% | 3.6% | 6.1% | 14.9% | 6.7% | 3.4% | 5.3% | 5.2% | 8.0% | 9.4% | 6.6% | 6.9% | 12.9% |
| No | 85.3% | 78.2% | 96.4% | 85.3% | 71.0% | 87.9% | 95.7% | 91.4% | 90.8% | 84.0% | 78.3% | 84.6% | 86.3% | 79.2% |
| Not sure | 7.4% | 9.9% | 0.0% | 8.6% | 14.1% | 5.3% | 0.9% | 3.2% | 4.0% | 8.0% | 12.3% | 8.8% | 6.8% | 7.9% |
| Totals | 100.0% (1,000) | 100.0% (352) | 100.0% (277) | 100.0% (285) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (342) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (377) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (412) | 100.0% (146) |

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9. Rating of Sotomayor nomination

As you may know, President Obama has nominated Judge Sonia Sotomayor to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court. Generally speaking, how would you rate President Obama's choice of Sonia Sotomayor as a nominee to the U.S. Supreme Court?

| | Age | | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Total | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Excellent | 19.7% | 15.0% | 22.2% | 17.2% | 14.3% | 43.3% | 38.9% | 18.4% | 21.0% | 17.6% | 15.7% | 25.5% |
| Good | 24.6% | 27.0% | 23.1% | 26.6% | 23.6% | 29.5% | 26.5% | 24.5% | 24.6% | 22.0% | 29.8% | 24.4% |
| Only Fair | 15.7% | 14.2% | 15.0% | 21.7% | 17.6% | 6.1% | 11.3% | 13.9% | 17.4% | 14.6% | 15.0% | 17.8% |
| Poor | 21.6% | 14.7% | 22.2% | 31.2% | 25.7% | 2.7% | 8.9% | 30.4% | 13.5% | 18.4% | 25.7% | 23.3% |
| Not sure | 18.4% | 29.1% | 17.5% | 3.3% | 18.8% | 18.4% | 14.5% | 12.8% | 23.5% | 27.4% | 13.7% | 9.0% |
| Totals | 100.0% (997) | 100.0% (181) | 100.0% (679) | 100.0% (137) | 100.0% (807) | 100.0% (109) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (490) | 100.0% (507) | 100.0% (372) | 100.0% (263) | 100.0% (362) |

| | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | | |
|-----------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | Total | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Excellent | 19.7% | 40.1% | 0.8% | 15.0% | 42.2% | 26.7% | 5.5% | 19.3% | 20.9% | 17.8% | 21.6% | 18.0% | 22.4% | 21.3% |
| Good | 24.6% | 36.2% | 12.9% | 24.9% | 36.3% | 33.7% | 10.2% | 32.2% | 23.4% | 23.0% | 23.8% | 25.7% | 23.8% | 29.1% |
| Only Fair | 15.7% | 7.8% | 26.8% | 17.0% | 4.4% | 13.9% | 26.3% | 17.9% | 15.9% | 14.2% | 16.6% | 16.5% | 15.5% | 14.6% |
| Poor | 21.6% | 3.8% | 44.0% | 27.3% | 3.4% | 11.4% | 48.5% | 16.3% | 20.4% | 23.9% | 22.6% | 15.0% | 25.6% | 22.9% |
| Not sure | 18.4% | 12.1% | 15.5% | 15.8% | 13.8% | 14.3% | 9.6% | 14.3% | 19.4% | 21.2% | 15.4% | 24.8% | 12.7% | 12.1% |
| Totals | 100.0% (997) | 100.0% (350) | 100.0% (276) | 100.0% (285) | 100.0% (214) | 100.0% (319) | 100.0% (342) | 100.0% (146) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (376) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (337) | 100.0% (412) | 100.0% (145) |

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10. Sonia Sotomayor ideology

Would you say that Sonia Sotomayor is . . .

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Very liberal | 23.7% | 18.0% | 22.4% | 39.6% | 27.4% | 8.8% | 9.4% | 33.1% | 15.1% | 19.5% | 25.0% | 28.7% |
| Somewhat liberal | 19.1% | 21.6% | 18.2% | 18.3% | 21.1% | 9.8% | 12.2% | 20.2% | 18.0% | 12.2% | 21.2% | 27.1% |
| Moderate | 20.4% | 13.9% | 22.1% | 24.4% | 18.8% | 27.5% | 26.3% | 17.5% | 23.2% | 17.9% | 20.1% | 24.2% |
| Somewhat conservative | 3.1% | 1.6% | 4.1% | 1.0% | 2.1% | 5.6% | 8.6% | 3.1% | 3.1% | 3.0% | 3.3% | 3.0% |
| Very conservative | 1.6% | 1.9% | 1.8% | 0.0% | 0.5% | 5.8% | 6.2% | 1.5% | 1.7% | 2.9% | 1.1% | 0.1% |
| Not sure | 32.1% | 43.0% | 31.3% | 16.8% | 30.1% | 42.5% | 37.4% | 24.7% | 39.0% | 44.4% | 29.3% | 16.9% |
| Totals | 100.0% (997) | 100.0% (182) | 100.0% (677) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (808) | 100.0% (108) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (491) | 100.0% (506) | 100.0% (370) | 100.0% (264) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Very liberal | 23.7% | 4.5% | 52.7% | 28.2% | 4.1% | 13.8% | 55.7% | 22.5% | 20.6% | 23.9% | 27.4% | 14.3% | 31.4% | 27.3% |
| Somewhat liberal | 19.1% | 21.3% | 20.8% | 20.7% | 30.5% | 18.1% | 18.5% | 17.9% | 19.8% | 17.5% | 21.3% | 12.7% | 22.9% | 27.5% |
| Moderate | 20.4% | 33.8% | 8.0% | 18.1% | 36.4% | 30.7% | 5.1% | 27.2% | 22.6% | 19.0% | 16.5% | 21.2% | 19.3% | 27.1% |
| Somewhat conservative | 3.1% | 3.9% | 1.2% | 4.3% | 2.7% | 5.6% | 1.1% | 1.1% | 2.3% | 3.1% | 4.9% | 2.6% | 3.8% | 2.4% |
| Very conservative | 1.6% | 2.9% | 0.4% | 1.1% | 1.1% | 1.8% | 1.5% | 4.6% | 0.6% | 1.9% | 0.4% | 2.8% | 1.3% | 0.0% |
| Not sure | 32.1% | 33.6% | 16.9% | 27.6% | 25.2% | 29.9% | 18.1% | 26.7% | 34.1% | 34.6% | 29.5% | 46.4% | 21.3% | 15.7% |
| Totals | 100.0% (997) | 100.0% (351) | 100.0% (275) | 100.0% (285) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (340) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (376) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (412) | 100.0% (145) |

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11. Sotomayor qualifications

In terms of her education, experience, temperament, and integrity, how would you rate Judge Sotomayor?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Well qualified | 29.6% | 21.0% | 30.5% | 40.7% | 25.7% | 45.5% | 44.3% | 29.3% | 29.9% | 25.7% | 25.4% | 38.0% |
| Qualified | 29.8% | 30.2% | 30.6% | 25.7% | 31.0% | 20.4% | 31.7% | 29.2% | 30.4% | 26.9% | 34.3% | 30.8% |
| Not qualified | 18.2% | 11.1% | 20.1% | 22.2% | 21.1% | 6.3% | 6.5% | 24.5% | 12.2% | 16.2% | 18.3% | 20.8% |
| Not sure | 22.4% | 37.7% | 18.7% | 11.4% | 22.2% | 27.8% | 17.5% | 17.0% | 27.5% | 31.2% | 22.1% | 10.4% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (994) | (183) | (675) | (136) | (806) | (108) | (80) | (489) | (505) | (370) | (261) | (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Well qualified | 29.6% | 52.0% | 9.6% | 25.7% | 58.4% | 39.0% | 11.2% | 32.9% | 33.1% | 25.3% | 30.4% | 24.7% | 33.4% | 37.3% |
| Qualified | 29.8% | 26.8% | 34.3% | 32.5% | 25.6% | 34.7% | 30.2% | 39.7% | 25.1% | 28.3% | 31.3% | 29.0% | 32.4% | 30.9% |
| Not qualified | 18.2% | 5.1% | 37.9% | 20.4% | 2.5% | 9.3% | 41.7% | 14.5% | 15.7% | 21.8% | 17.3% | 14.2% | 20.6% | 19.2% |
| Not sure | 22.4% | 16.1% | 18.2% | 21.4% | 13.5% | 16.9% | 16.9% | 12.9% | 26.1% | 24.5% | 21.1% | 32.1% | 13.6% | 12.6% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (994) | (351) | (274) | (283) | (215) | (319) | (338) | (147) | (236) | (375) | (236) | (338) | (408) | (146) |

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12. Sonia Sotomayor confirmation

Do you think the U.S. Senate should confirm or should not confirm Sonia Sotomayor as a Supreme Court justice?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|--------------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Should confirm | 47.0% | 45.3% | 47.0% | 49.7% | 42.1% | 65.2% | 68.2% | 45.7% | 48.1% | 40.2% | 51.1% | 53.6% |
| Should not confirm | 26.7% | 16.6% | 28.5% | 36.8% | 30.9% | 11.3% | 9.0% | 35.0% | 19.1% | 22.3% | 27.6% | 32.4% |
| Not sure | 26.3% | 38.1% | 24.4% | 13.5% | 27.1% | 23.5% | 22.9% | 19.3% | 32.8% | 37.5% | 21.3% | 14.0% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (998) | (182) | (678) | (138) | (809) | (108) | (81) | (491) | (507) | (371) | (265) | (362) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|--------------------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Should confirm | 47.0% | 75.7% | 20.0% | 42.4% | 82.8% | 61.7% | 19.7% | 57.1% | 48.0% | 42.6% | 46.6% | 44.0% | 50.6% | 54.5% |
| Should not confirm | 26.7% | 5.9% | 56.3% | 30.7% | 5.4% | 13.4% | 60.6% | 23.6% | 22.4% | 30.7% | 27.2% | 19.4% | 30.7% | 30.0% |
| Not sure | 26.3% | 18.4% | 23.7% | 26.9% | 11.7% | 24.9% | 19.7% | 19.3% | 29.6% | 26.7% | 26.3% | 36.6% | 18.6% | 15.5% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (998) | (351) | (276) | (285) | (215) | (319) | (341) | (147) | (237) | (376) | (238) | (337) | (412) | (146) |

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13. Watched Sotomayor confirmation hearings

Have you watched any of the Senate confirmation hearings for Sonia Sotomayor?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Yes | 50.9% | 38.1% | 50.8% | 73.5% | 52.2% | 39.8% | 53.3% | 54.1% | 47.8% | 41.7% | 53.9% | 61.6% |
| No | 45.4% | 58.4% | 44.5% | 26.2% | 45.5% | 53.1% | 34.3% | 43.2% | 47.3% | 51.8% | 43.4% | 37.7% |
| Not sure | 3.8% | 3.5% | 4.7% | 0.3% | 2.4% | 7.0% | 12.4% | 2.6% | 4.8% | 6.5% | 2.7% | 0.8% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (998) | (183) | (677) | (138) | (809) | (108) | (81) | (491) | (507) | (371) | (265) | (362) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Yes | 50.9% | 51.3% | 58.3% | 52.3% | 55.6% | 54.9% | 59.1% | 53.2% | 52.6% | 48.4% | 51.4% | 39.6% | 56.7% | 64.9% |
| No | 45.4% | 46.1% | 40.0% | 43.8% | 42.8% | 43.9% | 38.7% | 46.4% | 44.3% | 45.0% | 46.5% | 55.1% | 40.3% | 35.1% |
| Not sure | 3.8% | 2.6% | 1.7% | 3.9% | 1.6% | 1.2% | 2.2% | 0.3% | 3.2% | 6.6% | 2.2% | 5.3% | 3.0% | 0.0% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (998) | (351) | (277) | (284) | (215) | (319) | (341) | (147) | (237) | (376) | (238) | (337) | (411) | (146) |

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14. Fairness of Sotomayor confirmation hearings

Do you think Judge Sotomayor has been treated fairly in the Senate hearings? (Asked if respondent has watched confirmation hearings)

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Yes | 65.9% | 63.8% | 62.8% | 77.3% | 72.2% | 27.9% | 46.3% | 70.4% | 61.2% | 62.7% | 62.8% | 71.1% |
| No | 23.5% | 26.0% | 25.5% | 15.1% | 19.4% | 39.1% | 45.3% | 22.4% | 24.7% | 23.7% | 26.7% | 21.3% |
| Not sure | 10.5% | 10.2% | 11.6% | 7.6% | 8.3% | 32.9% | 8.4% | 7.2% | 14.0% | 13.6% | 10.4% | 7.7% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (544) | (67) | (374) | (103) | (439) | (55) | (50) | (293) | (251) | (164) | (151) | (229) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Yes | 65.9% | 44.9% | 84.5% | 73.9% | 37.5% | 61.9% | 89.3% | 67.8% | 63.1% | 68.5% | 64.3% | 57.1% | 69.4% | 65.0% |
| No | 23.5% | 39.2% | 8.6% | 19.9% | 47.3% | 24.7% | 7.1% | 25.1% | 23.9% | 19.7% | 27.4% | 28.2% | 23.8% | 21.9% |
| Not sure | 10.5% | 15.8% | 6.9% | 6.2% | 15.1% | 13.3% | 3.7% | 7.1% | 12.9% | 11.8% | 8.3% | 14.7% | 6.8% | 13.1% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (544) | (185) | (167) | (163) | (117) | (184) | (215) | (77) | (127) | (204) | (136) | (143) | (244) | (97) |

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15. Approval of Obama as President

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Strongly approve | 24.5% | 16.8% | 27.5% | 25.0% | 18.4% | 55.8% | 39.8% | 20.8% | 28.0% | 22.9% | 22.5% | 28.3% |
| Somewhat approve | 29.1% | 42.8% | 26.4% | 17.0% | 29.2% | 28.1% | 29.8% | 29.6% | 28.7% | 28.7% | 34.6% | 25.9% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 11.8% | 15.4% | 10.9% | 9.0% | 13.4% | 2.2% | 9.1% | 11.1% | 12.4% | 12.6% | 11.3% | 11.0% |
| Strongly disapprove | 28.3% | 13.7% | 29.5% | 49.0% | 33.5% | 4.8% | 10.5% | 34.8% | 22.2% | 25.0% | 27.5% | 33.4% |
| Not sure | 6.3% | 11.3% | 5.7% | 0.0% | 5.4% | 9.0% | 10.9% | 3.7% | 8.7% | 10.7% | 4.2% | 1.5% |
| Totals | 100.0% (997) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (677) | 100.0% (137) | 100.0% (808) | 100.0% (108) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (491) | 100.0% (506) | 100.0% (370) | 100.0% (264) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|---------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Strongly approve | 24.5% | 48.8% | 1.8% | 18.6% | 48.0% | 31.6% | 6.8% | 24.7% | 23.5% | 23.8% | 26.5% | 24.7% | 25.1% | 20.9% |
| Somewhat approve | 29.1% | 39.4% | 9.6% | 31.2% | 43.6% | 35.7% | 11.4% | 32.4% | 31.6% | 25.7% | 29.8% | 32.5% | 27.0% | 31.7% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 11.8% | 6.5% | 20.8% | 9.8% | 5.9% | 13.0% | 15.6% | 15.4% | 13.8% | 9.2% | 11.5% | 14.7% | 9.1% | 11.2% |
| Strongly disapprove | 28.3% | 2.9% | 62.7% | 34.0% | 1.6% | 16.8% | 63.3% | 24.7% | 24.9% | 32.0% | 28.3% | 19.2% | 35.6% | 32.2% |
| Not sure | 6.3% | 2.4% | 5.1% | 6.4% | 0.9% | 2.9% | 2.9% | 2.8% | 6.1% | 9.3% | 3.9% | 8.8% | 3.2% | 3.9% |
| Totals | 100.0% (997) | 100.0% (351) | 100.0% (276) | 100.0% (284) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (340) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (376) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (411) | 100.0% (146) |

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16. Approval of U.S. Congress

Overall, do you approve of the way the U.S. Congress is handling its job?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Strongly approve | 2.2% | 3.3% | 1.7% | 2.4% | 1.6% | 6.4% | 2.5% | 2.3% | 2.2% | 2.5% | 3.3% | 1.0% |
| Somewhat approve | 15.9% | 19.2% | 15.5% | 12.3% | 13.8% | 28.6% | 19.2% | 17.0% | 15.0% | 13.4% | 15.1% | 20.2% |
| Neither approve nor disapprove | 17.5% | 23.7% | 16.3% | 11.7% | 14.9% | 28.2% | 27.0% | 13.6% | 21.1% | 20.1% | 18.3% | 13.2% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 20.5% | 14.5% | 21.0% | 28.9% | 22.1% | 14.1% | 14.3% | 16.9% | 23.9% | 19.0% | 22.2% | 21.5% |
| Strongly disapprove | 34.2% | 24.4% | 36.1% | 43.3% | 39.9% | 7.9% | 16.7% | 44.3% | 24.9% | 28.6% | 36.4% | 40.6% |
| Not sure | 9.6% | 15.0% | 9.4% | 1.3% | 7.7% | 14.8% | 20.2% | 6.1% | 13.0% | 16.5% | 4.7% | 3.5% |
| Totals | 100.0% (999) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (678) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (809) | 100.0% (109) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (491) | 100.0% (508) | 100.0% (371) | 100.0% (265) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|--------------------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Strongly approve | 2.2% | 3.9% | 1.1% | 0.7% | 3.0% | 1.7% | 2.2% | 0.8% | 1.6% | 4.2% | 0.8% | 4.4% | 1.3% | 0.0% |
| Somewhat approve | 15.9% | 30.0% | 3.5% | 11.8% | 39.3% | 15.4% | 4.7% | 13.7% | 22.7% | 12.7% | 15.1% | 16.3% | 16.1% | 14.0% |
| Neither approve nor disapprove | 17.5% | 26.6% | 10.5% | 10.6% | 18.5% | 24.3% | 7.6% | 17.7% | 18.6% | 17.9% | 15.6% | 21.5% | 17.1% | 15.7% |
| Somewhat disapprove | 20.5% | 21.5% | 17.7% | 23.6% | 24.0% | 24.7% | 15.7% | 22.5% | 19.2% | 19.1% | 22.8% | 22.8% | 18.3% | 22.6% |
| Strongly disapprove | 34.2% | 9.4% | 62.0% | 44.5% | 9.9% | 28.5% | 64.2% | 39.2% | 30.5% | 33.3% | 36.4% | 23.7% | 40.8% | 44.2% |
| Not sure | 9.6% | 8.7% | 5.2% | 8.8% | 5.2% | 5.4% | 5.7% | 6.1% | 7.4% | 12.8% | 9.2% | 11.2% | 6.4% | 3.6% |
| Totals | 100.0% (999) | 100.0% (352) | 100.0% (277) | 100.0% (284) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (341) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (377) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (411) | 100.0% (146) |

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17. 2010 Congressional vote

If the 2010 elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Republican | 30.2% | 19.4% | 30.3% | 49.3% | 35.9% | 4.0% | 12.4% | 35.1% | 25.7% | 26.5% | 27.3% | 37.6% |
| Lean Republican | 6.3% | 8.0% | 5.4% | 7.7% | 7.7% | 1.1% | 1.0% | 7.6% | 5.2% | 7.1% | 7.4% | 4.5% |
| Lean Democrat | 7.6% | 8.3% | 8.2% | 3.6% | 7.4% | 9.7% | 5.9% | 4.5% | 10.4% | 6.7% | 9.2% | 7.6% |
| Democrat | 39.9% | 44.9% | 40.1% | 29.9% | 32.6% | 74.3% | 61.1% | 37.7% | 41.8% | 36.7% | 41.4% | 43.2% |
| Not Sure | 16.0% | 19.5% | 16.0% | 9.5% | 16.3% | 10.8% | 19.5% | 15.0% | 16.9% | 22.9% | 14.7% | 7.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% (993) | 100.0% (182) | 100.0% (674) | 100.0% (137) | 100.0% (805) | 100.0% (108) | 100.0% (80) | 100.0% (489) | 100.0% (504) | 100.0% (367) | 100.0% (264) | 100.0% (362) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Republican | 30.2% | 2.4% | 83.7% | 25.8% | 2.4% | 19.2% | 70.0% | 27.8% | 30.0% | 30.8% | 31.2% | 21.7% | 35.3% | 36.7% |
| Lean Republican | 6.3% | 1.2% | 10.3% | 10.1% | 1.5% | 7.0% | 10.0% | 4.2% | 9.0% | 4.8% | 7.1% | 4.1% | 6.4% | 10.6% |
| Lean Democrat | 7.6% | 7.6% | 0.7% | 10.7% | 7.8% | 8.1% | 1.2% | 7.3% | 5.3% | 10.9% | 5.1% | 9.8% | 4.9% | 6.7% |
| Democrat | 39.9% | 84.8% | 2.5% | 24.4% | 82.7% | 51.5% | 10.2% | 46.3% | 40.0% | 35.9% | 41.9% | 40.1% | 43.1% | 39.1% |
| Not Sure | 16.0% | 4.0% | 2.7% | 29.0% | 5.7% | 14.2% | 8.7% | 14.4% | 15.7% | 17.6% | 14.7% | 24.3% | 10.4% | 6.9% |
| Totals | 100.0% (993) | 100.0% (352) | 100.0% (277) | 100.0% (282) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (318) | 100.0% (340) | 100.0% (145) | 100.0% (236) | 100.0% (376) | 100.0% (236) | 100.0% (334) | 100.0% (410) | 100.0% (146) |

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18. Direction of country

Would you say things in this country today are ...

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|---|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Generally headed in the right direction | 37.2% | 42.7% | 35.8% | 33.2% | 33.5% | 62.4% | 38.2% | 35.4% | 38.8% | 33.7% | 37.2% | 42.1% |
| Off on the wrong track | 47.9% | 38.1% | 50.4% | 54.9% | 53.5% | 21.1% | 32.1% | 51.5% | 44.6% | 43.6% | 51.2% | 51.7% |
| Not sure | 14.9% | 19.2% | 13.8% | 11.9% | 13.0% | 16.5% | 29.8% | 13.1% | 16.5% | 22.7% | 11.5% | 6.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (998) | (183) | (677) | (138) | (808) | (109) | (81) | (491) | (507) | (371) | (264) | (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|---|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Generally headed in the right direction | 37.2% | 65.2% | 5.2% | 32.3% | 71.0% | 48.0% | 7.7% | 43.0% | 36.6% | 34.9% | 37.9% | 37.7% | 38.4% | 36.4% |
| Off on the wrong track | 47.9% | 18.1% | 82.8% | 55.2% | 17.6% | 36.5% | 81.2% | 47.2% | 41.2% | 49.8% | 52.5% | 42.6% | 51.8% | 49.4% |
| Not sure | 14.9% | 16.6% | 12.0% | 12.5% | 11.4% | 15.5% | 11.1% | 9.8% | 22.2% | 15.3% | 9.6% | 19.7% | 9.8% | 14.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (998) | (352) | (276) | (284) | (215) | (320) | (340) | (146) | (237) | (377) | (238) | (338) | (411) | (146) |

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19. Relative threat of big business and big government

What do you think is more of a threat?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Big business | 38.6% | 47.1% | 36.3% | 34.5% | 35.4% | 58.3% | 43.2% | 39.5% | 37.8% | 36.0% | 38.7% | 42.3% |
| Big government | 61.4% | 52.9% | 63.7% | 65.5% | 64.6% | 41.7% | 56.8% | 60.5% | 62.2% | 64.0% | 61.3% | 57.7% |
| Totals | 100.0% (996) | 100.0% (181) | 100.0% (677) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (807) | 100.0% (108) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (490) | 100.0% (506) | 100.0% (370) | 100.0% (263) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Big business | 38.6% | 64.4% | 7.8% | 36.3% | 73.2% | 46.6% | 10.1% | 48.9% | 42.2% | 30.2% | 41.7% | 39.3% | 36.1% | 45.2% |
| Big government | 61.4% | 35.6% | 92.2% | 63.7% | 26.8% | 53.4% | 89.9% | 51.1% | 57.8% | 69.8% | 58.3% | 60.7% | 63.9% | 54.8% |
| Totals | 100.0% (996) | 100.0% (352) | 100.0% (275) | 100.0% (284) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (339) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (235) | 100.0% (376) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (337) | 100.0% (410) | 100.0% (145) |

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20. Trend of economy

Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Getting better | 21.7% | 26.0% | 18.6% | 27.9% | 20.3% | 31.2% | 22.2% | 20.6% | 22.7% | 20.0% | 20.5% | 25.0% |
| About the same | 31.1% | 34.0% | 31.6% | 23.9% | 29.4% | 40.0% | 35.6% | 30.1% | 32.1% | 32.0% | 31.1% | 30.0% |
| Getting worse | 42.8% | 31.2% | 46.4% | 47.9% | 46.9% | 21.2% | 33.6% | 47.0% | 39.0% | 40.0% | 47.1% | 43.8% |
| Not sure | 4.3% | 8.8% | 3.4% | 0.3% | 3.3% | 7.6% | 8.6% | 2.3% | 6.1% | 8.0% | 1.3% | 1.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (995) | (183) | (675) | (137) | (806) | (109) | (80) | (488) | (507) | (369) | (264) | (362) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Getting better | 21.7% | 38.3% | 9.2% | 16.8% | 41.3% | 25.8% | 8.1% | 23.1% | 20.6% | 21.7% | 22.0% | 21.1% | 22.2% | 25.7% |
| About the same | 31.1% | 42.7% | 19.1% | 28.3% | 40.5% | 40.5% | 17.2% | 33.3% | 39.0% | 27.7% | 27.0% | 36.8% | 27.5% | 28.7% |
| Getting worse | 42.8% | 15.7% | 68.7% | 49.8% | 16.9% | 32.2% | 70.9% | 41.9% | 35.6% | 43.8% | 49.3% | 35.6% | 49.2% | 40.4% |
| Not sure | 4.3% | 3.3% | 2.9% | 5.1% | 1.4% | 1.5% | 3.8% | 1.7% | 4.8% | 6.7% | 1.6% | 6.4% | 1.1% | 5.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (995) | (349) | (277) | (283) | (214) | (318) | (340) | (146) | (237) | (376) | (236) | (337) | (408) | (146) |

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21. Change in personal finances over past year

Would you say that you and your family are...

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Better off financially than you were a year ago | 9.5% | 13.9% | 9.4% | 2.1% | 8.5% | 12.8% | 14.3% | 11.0% | 8.1% | 7.0% | 8.6% | 13.6% |
| About the same financially as you were a year ago | 35.6% | 38.0% | 33.4% | 41.2% | 34.1% | 49.2% | 32.2% | 35.3% | 35.9% | 36.3% | 34.1% | 35.8% |
| Worse off financially than you were a year ago | 50.9% | 38.9% | 54.8% | 55.0% | 53.6% | 36.2% | 45.7% | 49.0% | 52.7% | 49.2% | 55.5% | 50.0% |
| Not sure | 3.9% | 9.2% | 2.3% | 1.7% | 3.8% | 1.8% | 7.8% | 4.7% | 3.2% | 7.5% | 1.7% | 0.6% |
| Totals | 100.0% (995) | 100.0% (182) | 100.0% (675) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (806) | 100.0% (108) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (492) | 100.0% (503) | 100.0% (370) | 100.0% (263) | 100.0% (362) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Better off financially than you were a year ago | 9.5% | 13.9% | 7.4% | 8.2% | 13.6% | 9.2% | 10.0% | 10.3% | 7.7% | 13.9% | 4.4% | 10.8% | 9.5% | 9.6% |
| About the same financially as you were a year ago | 35.6% | 41.1% | 31.2% | 34.5% | 43.0% | 38.4% | 31.3% | 40.3% | 35.4% | 32.3% | 38.1% | 33.8% | 37.7% | 43.0% |
| Worse off financially than you were a year ago | 50.9% | 44.2% | 57.8% | 52.0% | 41.4% | 51.1% | 55.3% | 49.1% | 53.1% | 48.8% | 52.8% | 50.0% | 51.3% | 43.7% |
| Not sure | 3.9% | 0.8% | 3.6% | 5.3% | 2.0% | 1.3% | 3.4% | 0.3% | 3.7% | 5.0% | 4.7% | 5.4% | 1.5% | 3.6% |
| Totals | 100.0% (995) | 100.0% (350) | 100.0% (274) | 100.0% (285) | 100.0% (214) | 100.0% (317) | 100.0% (342) | 100.0% (147) | 100.0% (236) | 100.0% (375) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (335) | 100.0% (412) | 100.0% (145) |

22. Stock market expectations over next year

Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|----------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Higher | 33.0% | 40.3% | 29.8% | 34.2% | 32.6% | 38.0% | 30.3% | 37.7% | 28.7% | 29.4% | 32.2% | 38.8% |
| About the same | 28.9% | 21.3% | 30.3% | 36.4% | 29.4% | 26.8% | 27.4% | 27.2% | 30.6% | 25.9% | 31.0% | 31.7% |
| Lower | 22.9% | 21.5% | 24.6% | 18.3% | 24.1% | 18.9% | 17.3% | 23.2% | 22.7% | 23.8% | 24.6% | 20.6% |
| Not sure | 15.1% | 16.9% | 15.2% | 11.1% | 13.8% | 16.3% | 24.9% | 11.9% | 18.0% | 20.9% | 12.2% | 8.9% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (998) | (183) | (677) | (138) | (809) | (108) | (81) | (491) | (507) | (370) | (265) | (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|----------------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Higher | 33.0% | 53.6% | 19.2% | 23.6% | 60.1% | 39.2% | 16.2% | 38.7% | 32.4% | 30.8% | 33.7% | 28.7% | 34.5% | 43.5% |
| About the same | 28.9% | 24.3% | 32.5% | 34.2% | 21.8% | 30.4% | 32.3% | 30.3% | 33.1% | 25.9% | 28.4% | 30.1% | 31.0% | 28.5% |
| Lower | 22.9% | 10.1% | 36.4% | 23.2% | 10.3% | 18.0% | 36.2% | 22.2% | 19.3% | 24.5% | 24.8% | 21.9% | 24.9% | 20.8% |
| Not sure | 15.1% | 12.0% | 11.9% | 19.0% | 7.9% | 12.3% | 15.2% | 8.9% | 15.2% | 18.7% | 13.1% | 19.3% | 9.6% | 7.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (998) | (351) | (277) | (284) | (215) | (320) | (341) | (147) | (237) | (376) | (238) | (338) | (411) | (146) |

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23. Obama approval on issues

Below are some issues facing the country. For each one, indicate whether you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling that issue.

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-----------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| War in Iraq | 53.9% | 52.6% | 54.5% | 53.9% | 51.1% | 73.0% | 55.3% | 56.1% | 51.9% | 52.4% | 51.3% | 58.0% |
| Economy | 43.6% | 41.8% | 46.0% | 35.8% | 37.0% | 82.2% | 53.2% | 39.3% | 47.5% | 40.1% | 44.6% | 47.7% |
| Immigration | 33.9% | 29.7% | 36.3% | 30.9% | 30.0% | 57.3% | 39.5% | 33.6% | 34.2% | 32.4% | 33.3% | 36.5% |
| Environment | 50.4% | 52.7% | 51.4% | 42.3% | 45.2% | 76.6% | 63.9% | 47.8% | 52.8% | 46.8% | 53.4% | 53.4% |
| Terrorism | 47.2% | 46.8% | 48.7% | 41.0% | 43.0% | 70.4% | 55.3% | 47.3% | 47.1% | 44.1% | 48.9% | 50.3% |
| Gay Rights | 35.7% | 31.2% | 37.3% | 36.3% | 32.6% | 55.1% | 38.8% | 33.1% | 38.1% | 34.6% | 31.7% | 40.0% |
| Education | 50.0% | 45.8% | 54.0% | 39.9% | 43.6% | 81.7% | 67.1% | 48.2% | 51.7% | 49.2% | 50.8% | 50.5% |
| Health Care | 48.4% | 51.2% | 50.0% | 36.0% | 42.7% | 81.5% | 57.4% | 45.8% | 50.8% | 46.8% | 50.7% | 48.9% |
| Social Security | 37.3% | 35.1% | 39.4% | 32.2% | 31.7% | 72.9% | 42.5% | 36.7% | 37.8% | 40.2% | 36.8% | 33.6% |
| Totals | (1,000) | (183) | (679) | (138) | (810) | (109) | (81) | (492) | (508) | (372) | (265) | (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-----------------|---------|----------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|---------------|--------|-------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| War in Iraq | 53.9% | 76.5% | 28.3% | 53.7% | 79.9% | 67.8% | 31.5% | 64.7% | 57.1% | 50.7% | 49.2% | 57.1% | 54.1% | 56.5% |
| Economy | 43.6% | 75.5% | 7.8% | 36.6% | 81.6% | 53.4% | 11.1% | 44.5% | 42.9% | 41.8% | 46.2% | 44.0% | 44.3% | 46.1% |
| Immigration | 33.9% | 58.1% | 9.4% | 28.7% | 56.4% | 45.4% | 13.4% | 39.7% | 31.8% | 33.5% | 33.4% | 37.4% | 35.5% | 33.7% |
| Environment | 50.4% | 80.1% | 18.8% | 44.8% | 80.1% | 66.4% | 20.6% | 56.1% | 52.8% | 47.1% | 49.6% | 50.6% | 51.6% | 48.4% |
| Terrorism | 47.2% | 71.8% | 17.2% | 46.5% | 74.2% | 61.0% | 22.2% | 59.1% | 47.4% | 43.8% | 45.2% | 49.3% | 48.1% | 51.9% |
| Gay Rights | 35.7% | 51.8% | 18.2% | 35.5% | 56.1% | 47.5% | 16.0% | 38.5% | 37.8% | 34.5% | 33.5% | 36.5% | 36.1% | 41.3% |
| Education | 50.0% | 78.2% | 22.1% | 43.5% | 75.4% | 64.0% | 25.2% | 58.7% | 52.6% | 48.1% | 45.1% | 49.5% | 50.8% | 53.6% |
| Health Care | 48.4% | 78.3% | 11.0% | 45.5% | 84.8% | 58.9% | 14.9% | 50.5% | 52.1% | 46.2% | 46.5% | 50.7% | 48.1% | 46.5% |
| Social Security | 37.3% | 62.4% | 10.5% | 33.2% | 61.1% | 48.7% | 13.3% | 44.5% | 36.2% | 36.5% | 35.5% | 41.1% | 37.3% | 31.9% |
| Totals | (1,000) | (352) | (277) | (285) | (215) | (320) | (342) | (147) | (238) | (377) | (238) | (338) | (412) | (146) |

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24. Words that describe Obama

Which of these words would you use to describe Barack Obama?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Honest | 38.9% | 39.7% | 40.8% | 29.0% | 33.5% | 68.7% | 49.5% | 34.6% | 42.9% | 34.7% | 44.2% | 41.0% |
| Intelligent | 65.1% | 63.5% | 65.8% | 65.2% | 63.2% | 79.2% | 64.1% | 59.8% | 70.1% | 58.2% | 68.8% | 72.4% |
| Religious | 14.3% | 10.5% | 16.0% | 13.7% | 11.0% | 38.3% | 13.6% | 10.8% | 17.5% | 15.1% | 12.5% | 14.4% |
| Inspiring | 43.1% | 47.5% | 44.2% | 30.5% | 37.3% | 72.1% | 58.5% | 39.9% | 46.1% | 37.3% | 41.5% | 52.5% |
| Patriotic | 33.9% | 34.0% | 33.8% | 34.2% | 30.7% | 49.6% | 42.6% | 30.8% | 36.8% | 32.0% | 32.5% | 37.6% |
| Strong | 40.4% | 42.4% | 41.7% | 31.0% | 35.6% | 70.5% | 45.4% | 32.9% | 47.3% | 38.0% | 41.8% | 42.8% |
| Bold | 42.3% | 44.0% | 40.7% | 46.0% | 41.8% | 53.9% | 30.9% | 40.8% | 43.6% | 38.5% | 43.2% | 46.8% |
| Experienced | 18.4% | 18.9% | 18.9% | 15.2% | 13.8% | 44.9% | 25.7% | 14.3% | 22.2% | 20.0% | 14.5% | 18.9% |
| Sincere | 41.0% | 39.5% | 42.6% | 36.7% | 36.6% | 68.2% | 45.6% | 38.1% | 43.7% | 38.0% | 41.8% | 44.7% |
| Partisan | 24.3% | 21.2% | 21.7% | 40.8% | 26.0% | 16.6% | 18.0% | 31.2% | 17.8% | 19.5% | 21.9% | 32.7% |
| Effective | 32.2% | 34.9% | 32.3% | 27.0% | 27.4% | 63.0% | 36.4% | 28.8% | 35.3% | 30.0% | 31.4% | 35.9% |
| Unifying | 27.8% | 31.6% | 28.2% | 19.4% | 25.0% | 45.6% | 30.0% | 24.4% | 30.9% | 25.9% | 23.8% | 33.4% |
| In Touch | 35.1% | 37.0% | 35.7% | 29.6% | 29.9% | 68.4% | 40.0% | 31.3% | 38.7% | 35.5% | 33.4% | 35.9% |
| Realistic | 33.5% | 37.5% | 34.4% | 22.3% | 28.2% | 63.0% | 43.4% | 29.9% | 36.8% | 31.7% | 35.2% | 34.8% |
| Decisive | 32.9% | 27.7% | 33.8% | 38.1% | 31.8% | 36.5% | 37.9% | 26.0% | 39.3% | 29.5% | 34.1% | 36.8% |
| Totals | (1,000) | (183) | (679) | (138) | (810) | (109) | (81) | (492) | (508) | (372) | (265) | (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-------------|-------|----------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|---------------|--------|-------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Honest | 38.9% | 70.8% | 5.6% | 32.2% | 75.6% | 49.2% | 8.2% | 40.3% | 39.2% | 36.2% | 41.6% | 38.0% | 41.9% | 42.3% |
| Intelligent | 65.1% | 83.5% | 49.7% | 63.1% | 86.9% | 77.2% | 48.2% | 67.9% | 68.7% | 59.5% | 68.2% | 57.4% | 70.6% | 70.4% |
| Religious | 14.3% | 24.2% | 4.2% | 11.2% | 21.7% | 20.3% | 5.6% | 11.5% | 16.2% | 15.7% | 11.8% | 14.6% | 13.3% | 16.2% |
| Inspiring | 43.1% | 67.0% | 15.5% | 39.8% | 75.0% | 53.2% | 16.8% | 44.4% | 41.5% | 41.3% | 46.8% | 38.3% | 47.0% | 47.5% |
| Patriotic | 33.9% | 54.9% | 8.8% | 30.3% | 62.7% | 43.1% | 10.0% | 37.5% | 36.0% | 33.0% | 31.0% | 33.6% | 33.2% | 39.0% |
| Strong | 40.4% | 69.6% | 13.7% | 29.4% | 70.9% | 48.7% | 15.5% | 44.5% | 39.9% | 39.9% | 39.4% | 40.5% | 40.4% | 40.9% |
| Bold | 42.3% | 54.4% | 32.4% | 39.5% | 58.2% | 46.3% | 34.6% | 34.7% | 47.3% | 43.4% | 39.6% | 40.9% | 46.9% | 36.9% |
| Experienced | 18.4% | 34.8% | 1.8% | 13.3% | 37.6% | 22.5% | 3.5% | 16.3% | 20.1% | 18.3% | 17.8% | 19.9% | 15.7% | 18.8% |
| Sincere | 41.0% | 71.2% | 9.2% | 34.7% | 76.1% | 54.3% | 11.1% | 41.8% | 45.6% | 36.0% | 43.3% | 40.8% | 42.3% | 45.3% |
| Partisan | 24.3% | 12.6% | 41.5% | 28.7% | 15.2% | 14.9% | 45.3% | 23.4% | 23.8% | 21.8% | 28.9% | 17.8% | 27.4% | 29.7% |
| Effective | 32.2% | 53.7% | 10.2% | 25.3% | 58.0% | 36.8% | 11.8% | 26.6% | 32.3% | 35.6% | 30.3% | 31.8% | 33.7% | 30.5% |
| Unifying | 27.8% | 46.9% | 6.5% | 23.8% | 58.7% | 32.1% | 7.2% | 31.9% | 28.5% | 26.8% | 26.2% | 26.0% | 25.4% | 35.3% |
| In Touch | 35.1% | 62.3% | 4.8% | 30.5% | 65.9% | 46.1% | 9.0% | 41.4% | 33.1% | 34.9% | 33.9% | 34.9% | 34.3% | 35.7% |

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| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Realistic | 33.5% | 58.2% | 3.1% | 28.5% | 66.4% | 39.5% | 6.0% | 30.9% | 34.2% | 32.5% | 35.7% | 32.4% | 35.4% | 35.6% |
| Decisive | 32.9% | 49.6% | 15.9% | 28.7% | 53.8% | 39.5% | 17.6% | 30.9% | 32.8% | 32.0% | 35.3% | 33.7% | 34.7% | 30.6% |
| Totals | (1,000) | (352) | (277) | (285) | (215) | (320) | (342) | (147) | (238) | (377) | (238) | (338) | (412) | (146) |

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25. Words that don't describe Obama

Which of these words would you definitely not use to describe Barack Obama?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-------------|---------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Honest | 27.4% | 18.9% | 28.4% | 38.4% | 32.5% | 2.3% | 13.6% | 32.0% | 23.2% | 23.7% | 29.9% | 30.9% |
| Intelligent | 9.0% | 5.5% | 10.0% | 10.9% | 10.3% | 0.0% | 9.0% | 10.4% | 7.7% | 9.1% | 8.5% | 9.1% |
| Religious | 30.8% | 28.2% | 30.3% | 37.7% | 33.4% | 10.9% | 33.5% | 34.2% | 27.7% | 28.4% | 32.1% | 33.4% |
| Inspiring | 17.7% | 14.7% | 16.8% | 26.5% | 21.2% | 1.6% | 6.5% | 18.5% | 16.9% | 15.8% | 22.5% | 16.8% |
| Patriotic | 23.3% | 13.4% | 25.3% | 32.3% | 26.9% | 5.2% | 13.9% | 28.0% | 19.0% | 20.8% | 23.4% | 26.8% |
| Strong | 14.9% | 6.5% | 17.1% | 20.3% | 16.7% | 5.1% | 10.6% | 16.5% | 13.4% | 14.5% | 14.4% | 15.8% |
| Bold | 13.4% | 13.3% | 15.1% | 6.5% | 12.8% | 16.3% | 15.6% | 16.0% | 11.1% | 14.0% | 14.4% | 12.0% |
| Experienced | 40.4% | 33.5% | 41.4% | 48.5% | 45.6% | 13.3% | 28.9% | 47.1% | 34.2% | 34.8% | 42.8% | 46.6% |
| Sincere | 25.1% | 17.6% | 25.8% | 35.7% | 28.8% | 8.8% | 12.4% | 27.9% | 22.5% | 23.2% | 26.4% | 27.0% |
| Partisan | 22.6% | 20.9% | 23.2% | 22.8% | 22.9% | 27.3% | 13.3% | 22.1% | 22.9% | 20.1% | 24.1% | 24.9% |
| Effective | 20.8% | 14.1% | 23.2% | 22.4% | 24.1% | 1.1% | 16.1% | 23.3% | 18.5% | 17.6% | 23.8% | 23.3% |
| Unifying | 25.2% | 18.4% | 25.9% | 34.3% | 28.8% | 7.6% | 15.6% | 28.9% | 21.8% | 19.0% | 26.6% | 33.0% |
| In Touch | 23.5% | 16.2% | 24.8% | 30.8% | 27.8% | 5.6% | 7.0% | 29.6% | 17.8% | 21.3% | 24.3% | 26.0% |
| Realistic | 28.1% | 19.8% | 30.4% | 32.7% | 33.0% | 4.0% | 14.2% | 32.7% | 23.8% | 22.8% | 30.4% | 33.9% |
| Decisive | 15.2% | 14.2% | 16.0% | 13.6% | 17.1% | 8.3% | 7.3% | 19.4% | 11.4% | 13.7% | 15.2% | 17.4% |
| Totals | (1,000) | (183) | (679) | (138) | (810) | (109) | (81) | (492) | (508) | (372) | (265) | (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-------------|-------|----------|-------|-------|----------|-------|-------|-----------|---------|-------|-------|---------------|--------|-------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Honest | 27.4% | 3.7% | 61.4% | 31.1% | 2.4% | 16.2% | 58.8% | 24.0% | 25.5% | 32.1% | 24.4% | 22.5% | 31.3% | 29.3% |
| Intelligent | 9.0% | 1.4% | 19.0% | 9.9% | 1.5% | 4.0% | 18.6% | 6.3% | 8.8% | 11.2% | 7.3% | 8.6% | 8.4% | 7.7% |
| Religious | 30.8% | 19.9% | 50.0% | 32.5% | 17.9% | 26.0% | 50.2% | 28.6% | 31.3% | 30.1% | 32.7% | 26.6% | 33.1% | 31.2% |
| Inspiring | 17.7% | 5.7% | 37.2% | 17.6% | 4.4% | 13.8% | 32.7% | 17.6% | 17.7% | 18.0% | 17.2% | 16.3% | 21.1% | 11.1% |
| Patriotic | 23.3% | 4.8% | 51.7% | 26.0% | 2.6% | 16.3% | 49.4% | 19.1% | 24.4% | 27.1% | 19.2% | 19.9% | 26.6% | 22.3% |
| Strong | 14.9% | 4.3% | 29.4% | 18.2% | 2.1% | 11.0% | 31.0% | 12.9% | 17.8% | 15.5% | 12.2% | 14.8% | 15.4% | 12.6% |
| Bold | 13.4% | 8.5% | 17.4% | 14.3% | 9.5% | 9.6% | 19.4% | 11.4% | 13.4% | 15.6% | 11.5% | 13.8% | 11.6% | 8.9% |
| Experienced | 40.4% | 19.2% | 69.9% | 45.1% | 17.0% | 35.5% | 67.3% | 41.5% | 36.7% | 43.4% | 39.3% | 33.7% | 44.7% | 46.1% |
| Sincere | 25.1% | 3.7% | 52.5% | 28.1% | 6.5% | 17.1% | 48.7% | 26.6% | 20.7% | 28.1% | 24.6% | 21.5% | 28.2% | 21.8% |
| Partisan | 22.6% | 28.0% | 16.3% | 22.4% | 37.1% | 25.9% | 15.1% | 20.1% | 25.7% | 21.8% | 21.9% | 20.6% | 22.6% | 26.4% |
| Effective | 20.8% | 4.9% | 40.5% | 24.6% | 5.3% | 14.9% | 37.8% | 23.8% | 21.0% | 22.9% | 15.8% | 21.2% | 20.4% | 18.0% |
| Unifying | 25.2% | 7.9% | 52.3% | 26.6% | 6.8% | 19.6% | 48.4% | 27.4% | 24.8% | 24.5% | 25.4% | 19.6% | 29.3% | 25.8% |
| In Touch | 23.5% | 6.7% | 48.7% | 26.0% | 5.3% | 14.8% | 48.0% | 21.0% | 22.8% | 27.1% | 20.4% | 22.7% | 24.4% | 20.1% |

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| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Realistic | 28.1% | 6.6% | 56.9% | 32.7% | 3.9% | 22.2% | 54.9% | 28.5% | 25.4% | 30.2% | 27.4% | 23.9% | 31.3% | 25.5% |
| Decisive | 15.2% | 8.4% | 23.9% | 18.8% | 7.5% | 12.7% | 25.7% | 19.4% | 13.0% | 18.3% | 10.5% | 13.9% | 16.5% | 13.9% |
| Totals | (1,000) | (352) | (277) | (285) | (215) | (320) | (342) | (147) | (238) | (377) | (238) | (338) | (412) | (146) |

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26. Obama's ideological leanings

Would you say Barack Obama is ...

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Very liberal | 32.9% | 22.0% | 33.7% | 49.0% | 37.9% | 13.9% | 10.7% | 38.4% | 27.8% | 25.7% | 34.4% | 42.0% |
| Somewhat liberal | 25.2% | 35.5% | 22.4% | 19.5% | 24.8% | 27.3% | 26.6% | 26.1% | 24.4% | 20.2% | 27.3% | 30.7% |
| Moderate | 22.2% | 16.4% | 24.5% | 22.3% | 20.2% | 32.7% | 26.6% | 18.9% | 25.2% | 22.8% | 24.6% | 19.6% |
| Somewhat conservative | 4.1% | 5.0% | 4.5% | 1.2% | 3.3% | 4.6% | 11.6% | 4.5% | 3.8% | 5.5% | 3.2% | 2.9% |
| Very conservative | 1.8% | 3.7% | 1.4% | 0.0% | 0.9% | 4.8% | 5.7% | 1.7% | 1.8% | 2.9% | 1.9% | 0.1% |
| Not sure | 13.8% | 17.3% | 13.6% | 8.1% | 12.8% | 16.7% | 18.8% | 10.3% | 17.0% | 23.0% | 8.7% | 4.6% |
| Totals | 100.0% (996) | 100.0% (183) | 100.0% (675) | 100.0% (138) | 100.0% (808) | 100.0% (107) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (491) | 100.0% (505) | 100.0% (368) | 100.0% (265) | 100.0% (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|-----------------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Very liberal | 32.9% | 7.7% | 71.8% | 36.5% | 10.0% | 19.6% | 72.1% | 26.6% | 27.7% | 36.0% | 37.4% | 21.6% | 40.0% | 41.9% |
| Somewhat liberal | 25.2% | 38.7% | 14.6% | 21.6% | 53.0% | 27.9% | 9.7% | 24.7% | 28.6% | 23.0% | 25.4% | 21.3% | 23.5% | 35.6% |
| Moderate | 22.2% | 30.9% | 5.8% | 22.5% | 25.5% | 37.8% | 6.3% | 32.2% | 21.4% | 19.3% | 21.4% | 26.1% | 23.2% | 17.3% |
| Somewhat conservative | 4.1% | 6.9% | 0.6% | 3.9% | 6.5% | 2.9% | 3.6% | 3.0% | 8.0% | 2.7% | 2.9% | 5.2% | 3.7% | 1.7% |
| Very conservative | 1.8% | 3.1% | 1.1% | 1.2% | 2.5% | 1.3% | 1.1% | 2.1% | 1.4% | 3.2% | 0.0% | 2.9% | 0.8% | 1.1% |
| Not sure | 13.8% | 12.7% | 6.1% | 14.2% | 2.4% | 10.6% | 7.1% | 11.4% | 12.9% | 15.9% | 12.9% | 22.9% | 8.8% | 2.3% |
| Totals | 100.0% (996) | 100.0% (350) | 100.0% (277) | 100.0% (284) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (320) | 100.0% (341) | 100.0% (146) | 100.0% (237) | 100.0% (375) | 100.0% (238) | 100.0% (338) | 100.0% (410) | 100.0% (146) |

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27. Obama's sincerity

Do you think Barack Obama ...

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Says what he believes | 54.6% | 57.6% | 55.0% | 47.7% | 48.2% | 89.9% | 68.3% | 47.0% | 61.7% | 53.8% | 56.9% | 54.3% |
| Says what he thinks people want to hear | 45.4% | 42.4% | 45.0% | 52.3% | 51.8% | 10.1% | 31.7% | 53.0% | 38.3% | 46.2% | 43.1% | 45.7% |
| Totals | 100.0% (990) | 100.0% (182) | 100.0% (672) | 100.0% (136) | 100.0% (802) | 100.0% (107) | 100.0% (81) | 100.0% (487) | 100.0% (503) | 100.0% (367) | 100.0% (262) | 100.0% (361) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|---|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|-----------------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Says what he believes | 54.6% | 85.2% | 17.8% | 51.4% | 87.3% | 64.7% | 24.2% | 55.0% | 56.6% | 50.8% | 58.1% | 56.9% | 52.8% | 55.8% |
| Says what he thinks people want to hear | 45.4% | 14.8% | 82.2% | 48.6% | 12.7% | 35.3% | 75.8% | 45.0% | 43.4% | 49.2% | 41.9% | 43.1% | 47.2% | 44.2% |
| Totals | 100.0% (990) | 100.0% (351) | 100.0% (273) | 100.0% (282) | 100.0% (215) | 100.0% (318) | 100.0% (337) | 100.0% (146) | 100.0% (235) | 100.0% (373) | 100.0% (236) | 100.0% (334) | 100.0% (408) | 100.0% (146) |

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28. Obama's likeability

Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like Barack Obama as a person?

| | Total | Age | | | Race | | | Gender | | Education | | |
|---------------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|------------|--------------|--------------|
| | | 18-29 | 30-64 | 65+ | White | Black | Hispanic | Male | Female | HS or Less | Some College | College Grad |
| Like a lot | 43.8% | 49.9% | 44.5% | 29.6% | 36.3% | 83.4% | 60.9% | 40.5% | 46.8% | 39.2% | 47.6% | 47.4% |
| Like somewhat | 25.3% | 22.0% | 25.9% | 28.0% | 28.1% | 10.0% | 18.8% | 27.3% | 23.3% | 27.6% | 21.5% | 24.7% |
| Dislike | 18.7% | 16.5% | 17.4% | 28.7% | 22.2% | 0.7% | 10.3% | 22.0% | 15.7% | 18.3% | 19.5% | 18.7% |
| Not sure | 12.3% | 11.6% | 12.2% | 13.7% | 13.4% | 5.9% | 10.0% | 10.2% | 14.2% | 14.9% | 11.5% | 9.1% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (999) | (183) | (678) | (138) | (809) | (109) | (81) | (491) | (508) | (371) | (265) | (363) |

| | Total | Party ID | | | Ideology | | | Region | | | | Family Income | | |
|---------------|--------|----------|--------|--------|----------|--------|--------|-----------|---------|--------|--------|---------------|--------|--------|
| | | Dem | Rep | Ind | Lib | Mod | Con | Northeast | Midwest | South | West | Under 40 | 40-100 | 100+ |
| Like a lot | 43.8% | 76.7% | 7.9% | 38.4% | 82.2% | 54.4% | 13.1% | 43.3% | 44.8% | 42.5% | 44.8% | 42.8% | 42.3% | 48.9% |
| Like somewhat | 25.3% | 17.1% | 33.6% | 26.1% | 10.1% | 28.3% | 32.2% | 34.4% | 24.6% | 22.4% | 25.0% | 27.1% | 27.6% | 22.7% |
| Dislike | 18.7% | 2.8% | 43.0% | 19.3% | 3.4% | 12.6% | 39.6% | 13.2% | 17.2% | 20.8% | 20.4% | 15.1% | 22.5% | 18.8% |
| Not sure | 12.3% | 3.4% | 15.5% | 16.2% | 4.2% | 4.7% | 15.1% | 9.2% | 13.4% | 14.3% | 9.8% | 15.0% | 7.6% | 9.6% |
| Totals | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% | 100.0% |
| | (999) | (352) | (277) | (284) | (215) | (320) | (341) | (147) | (237) | (377) | (238) | (338) | (411) | (146) |