

# TIME MAGAZINE/ABT SRBI – August 16- 17, 2010 Survey

FINAL DATA- August 18, 2010

BASE= 1,002 Adults Except Where Noted

Q1. TO START WITH, IN GENERAL, DO YOU APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE OF THE WAY PRESIDENT OBAMA IS HANDLING HIS JOB AS PRESIDENT?

	(Base)	Approve	Disapprove	(VOL) No Answer/ Don't Know
8/16/10 – 8/17/10	(1002)	46	45	9
7/12/10 - 7/13/10	(1003)	49	45	6
7/27/09 - 7/28/09	(1002)	56	38	6

Q3. GENERALLY SPEAKING, WOULD YOU SAY THINGS IN THIS COUNTRY ARE HEADING IN THE RIGHT DIRECTION, OR ARE THEY OFF ON THE WRONG TRACK?

	(Base)	Right Direction	Wrong Track	(VOL) No Answer/ Don't Know
8/16/10 – 8/17/10	(1002)	34	57	9
7/12/10 - 7/13/10	(1003)	39	56	5
7/27/09 - 7/28/09	(1002)	51	44	6
10/03/08 - 10/06/08	(1053)	12	84	5

Q6. ARE YOU NOW REGISTERED TO VOTE IN YOUR PRECINCT OR ELECTION DISTRICT, OR HAVEN'T YOU BEEN ABLE TO REGISTER SO FAR?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

YES, REGISTERED	88%
NO, NOT REGISTERED	12%
DON'T KNOW/REFUSED	*

Q7. WOULD YOU SAY THAT YOU PERSONALLY WILL DEFINITELY NOT VOTE IN THE NOVEMBER ELECTION, PROBABLY NOT VOTE, MAY OR MAY NOT VOTE, WILL PROBABLY VOTE, OR WILL DEFINITELY VOTE?  
BASE: REGISTERED VOTERS (912)

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

DEFINITELY VOTE	75%
PROBABLY VOTE	14%
MAY OR MAY NOT VOTE	5%
PROBABLY NOT VOTE	2%
DEFINITELY NOT VOTE	3%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	1%

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BASE: REGISTERED VOTERS

	ALL RESPONDENTS =====
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	38%
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	42%
TEA PARTY	*
OTHER	3%
DON'T KNOW/NO ANSWER	18%

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BASE: REGISTERED PROBABLY / DEFINITELY VOTE (827)

	(Base)	Democratic Candidate	Republican Candidate	Tea Party	Other	(VOL) No Answer/ Don't Know
7/12/10 - 7/13/10	(827)	37	43	*	2	18
7/27/09 - 7/28/09	(810)	43	42	1	2	12

Q9. ARE YOU LEANING MORE TOWARD THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY CANDIDATE OR MORE TOWARD THE REPUBLICAN PARTY CANDIDATE?

BASE: UNDECIDED REGISTERED VOTERS (168)

	ALL RESPONDENTS =====
DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	15%
REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	21%
TEA PARTY	1%
OTHER	6%
DON'T KNOW/NO ANSWER	56%

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Q9. ARE YOU LEANING MORE TOWARD THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY CANDIDATE OR MORE TOWARD THE REPUBLICAN PARTY CANDIDATE?

BASE: REGISTERED VOTERS (912)

	ALL RESPONDENTS =====
(LEAN TOWARD) DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	40%
(LEAN TOWARD) REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	45%
TEA PARTY	1%
OTHER	4%
DON'T KNOW/NO ANSWER	10%

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ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

(LEAN TOWARD) DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	40%
(LEAN TOWARD) REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	47%
TEA PARTY	1%
OTHER	3%
DON'T KNOW/NO ANSWER	10%

Q10. THINKING ABOUT VARIOUS RELIGIOUS GROUPS, OVERALL, WOULD YOU SAY THAT YOU HAVE A VERY FAVORABLE VIEW OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIONS, A SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE VIEW, SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE OR VERY UNFAVORABLE VIEW OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIONS?

A) JEWS

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

VERY FAVORABLE	32%
SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE	43%
SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE	8%
VERY UNFAVORABLE	5%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	12%

Q10. THINKING ABOUT VARIOUS RELIGIOUS GROUPS, OVERALL, WOULD YOU SAY THAT YOU HAVE A VERY FAVORABLE VIEW OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIONS, A SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE VIEW, SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE OR VERY UNFAVORABLE VIEW OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIONS?

B) CATHOLICS

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

VERY FAVORABLE	34%
SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE	39%
SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE	10%
VERY UNFAVORABLE	7%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	10%

Q10. THINKING ABOUT VARIOUS RELIGIOUS GROUPS, OVERALL, WOULD YOU SAY THAT YOU HAVE A VERY FAVORABLE VIEW OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIONS, A SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE VIEW, SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE OR VERY UNFAVORABLE VIEW OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIONS?

C) MUSLIMS

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

VERY FAVORABLE	12%
SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE	32%
SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE	22%
VERY UNFAVORABLE	21%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	14%

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D) PROTESTANTS

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

VERY FAVORABLE	33%
SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE	41%
SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE	9%
VERY UNFAVORABLE	4%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	13%

Q10. THINKING ABOUT VARIOUS RELIGIOUS GROUPS, OVERALL, WOULD YOU SAY THAT YOU HAVE A VERY FAVORABLE VIEW OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIONS, A SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE VIEW, SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE OR VERY UNFAVORABLE VIEW OF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIONS?  
E) MORMONS

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

VERY FAVORABLE	16%
SOMEWHAT FAVORABLE	41%
SOMEWHAT UNFAVORABLE	18%
VERY UNFAVORABLE	11%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	14%

Q11. TURNING TO THE ISLAMIC RELIGION, WOULD YOU SAY THAT THE ISLAMIC RELIGION IS MORE LIKELY THAN OTHER RELIGIONS TO ENCOURAGE VIOLENCE AGAINST NON-BELIEVERS, LESS LIKELY, OR ABOUT THE SAME AS MOST OTHER RELIGIONS?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

MORE LIKELY	46%
LESS LIKELY	6%
SAME AS OTHER RELIGIONS	39%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	10%

Q12. DO YOU PERSONALLY KNOW ANY AMERICANS WHO ARE FOLLOWERS OF THE ISLAMIC RELIGION?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

YES, KNOW	37%
NO, DON'T KNOW	62%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	1%

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Q13. IN GENERAL, WOULD YOU SAY THAT MOST MUSLIMS IN THE UNITED STATES ARE PATRIOTIC AMERICANS WHO BELIEVE IN AMERICAN VALUES, OR NOT?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

ARE PATRIOTIC AMERICANS	55%
ARE NOT	25%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	21%

Q14. AS YOU MAY KNOW, A GROUP OF MUSLIMS IN NEW YORK CITY HAS ANNOUNCED PLANS TO BUILD A COMMUNITY CENTER AND MOSQUE ON PRIVATE PROPERTY TWO BLOCKS FROM THE SITE WHERE THE WORLD TRADE CENTER STOOD. HOW CLOSELY HAVE YOU BEEN FOLLOWING THIS ISSUE?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

VERY CLOSELY	32%
SOMEWHAT CLOSELY	36%
NOT VERY CLOSELY	17%
NOT AT ALL	15%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	1%

Q14A. SOME PEOPLE SAY THAT BUILDING THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY CENTER AND MOSQUE NEAR THE WORLD TRADE CENTER SITE WOULD SERVE AS A SYMBOL OF THE COUNTRY'S RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE. OTHERS SAY THAT BUILDING THE MOSQUE NEAR THE WORLD TRADE CENTER SITE WOULD BE AN INSULT TO THOSE WHO DIED ON 9.11. WHICH COMES CLOSEST TO YOUR VIEW, OR ARE DO YOU AGREE SOMEWHAT WITH BOTH VIEWS?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

SERVE AS SYMBOL OF RELIGIOUS TOLERANCE	23%
WOULD BE INSULT TO THOSE WHO DIES ON 9/11	44%
AGREE WITH BOTH	27%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	6%

Q15. OVERALL, DO YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE THE BUILDING OF THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY CENTER AND MOSQUE NEAR WHERE THE WORLD TRADE CENTER STOOD?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

FAVOR	26%
OPPOSE	61%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	13%

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Q16. WHAT IF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIOUS GROUPS PROPOSED BUILDING A COMMUNITY CENTER AND PLACE OF WORSHIP TWO BLOCKS FROM YOUR HOME. WOULD YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE IT?

A) CATHOLIC

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

FAVOR	78%
OPPOSE	14%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	9%

Q16. WHAT IF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIOUS GROUPS PROPOSED BUILDING A COMMUNITY CENTER AND PLACE OF WORSHIP TWO BLOCKS FROM YOUR HOME. WOULD YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE IT?

B) JEWISH

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

FAVOR	73%
OPPOSE	18%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	9%

Q16. WHAT IF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIOUS GROUPS PROPOSED BUILDING A COMMUNITY CENTER AND PLACE OF WORSHIP TWO BLOCKS FROM YOUR HOME. WOULD YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE IT?

C) MUSLIM

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

FAVOR	55%
OPPOSE	34%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	10%

Q16. WHAT IF THE FOLLOWING RELIGIOUS GROUPS PROPOSED BUILDING A COMMUNITY CENTER AND PLACE OF WORSHIP TWO BLOCKS FROM YOUR HOME. WOULD YOU FAVOR OR OPPOSE IT?

D) MORMON

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

FAVOR	65%
OPPOSE	24%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	11%

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Q17. HAS THIS DEBATE OVER THE MUSLIM COMMUNITY CENTER AND MOSQUE MADE YOU MORE LIKELY TO VOTE FOR A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE FOR CONGRESS IN YOUR DISTRICT, A REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE, OR NOT HAVE ANY IMPACT ON YOUR VOTE ONE WAY OR ANOTHER?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

MORE LIKELY TO VOTE FOR A DEMOCRATIC CANDIDATE	7%
MORE LIKELY TO VOTE FOR A REPUBLICAN CANDIDATE	14%
NOT HAVE ANY IMPACT	74%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	5%

Q18. DO YOU THINK THAT A MUSLIM SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO...?

A) RUN FOR PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

YES	61%
NO	32%
NO ANSWER/ DON'T KNOW	7%

Q18. DO YOU THINK THAT A MUSLIM SHOULD BE ALLOWED TO...?

B) SERVE ON THE U.S. SUPREME COURT

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

YES	65%
NO	28%
NO ANSWER/ DON'T KNOW	7%

Q19. DO YOU PERSONALLY BELIEVE THAT BARACK OBAMA IS A MUSLIM OR A CHRISTIAN?

ALL  
RESPONDENTS  
=====

MUSLIM	24%
CHRISTIAN	47%
OTHER	5%
NO ANSWER/DON'T KNOW	24%

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