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Methodology

The survey findings presented in this release are based on the results of interviews conducted April 5-25, 2011. The interviews were conducted at the Center for Opinion Research at Franklin & Marshall College under the direction of the poll's Director Dr. G. Terry Madonna, Head Methodologist Berwood Yost, and Senior Project Manager Angela Knittle. The data included in this release represent the responses of 800 adults in the United States, including 652 registered voters. Telephone numbers for the survey were generated using random digit dialing with a cell phone supplement, and respondents were randomly selected from within each household. Survey results were weighted (age, education, race, region, and gender) using an iterative weighting algorithm.

The sample error for this survey is +/- 3.5 percentage points. The sample error for registered adults is +/- 3.8 percentage points. In addition to sampling error, this poll is also subject to other sources of non-sampling error. Generally speaking, two sources of error concern researchers most. Non-response bias is created when selected participants either choose not to participate in the survey or are unavailable for interviewing. Response errors are the product of the question and answer process. Surveys that rely on self-reported behaviors and attitudes are susceptible to biases related to the way respondents process and respond to survey questions.

Key Findings

The most recent National Franklin & Marshall College Poll finds a majority of adults reporting the economy and personal finances (52%) are the most important problems facing their families. Only one in four (26%) citizens believes the United States is currently headed in the right direction. More registered voters say that President Obama is doing only a fair or poor job as president than say he is doing an excellent or good job.

The survey also finds that Americans are generally satisfied with how well the current healthcare system meets their needs even though the cost of care was a significant problem for many during the past year. Few Americans believe last year's health care reform law has produced positive changes in their own health care and few expect those reforms to produce meaningful changes for the country in the future.

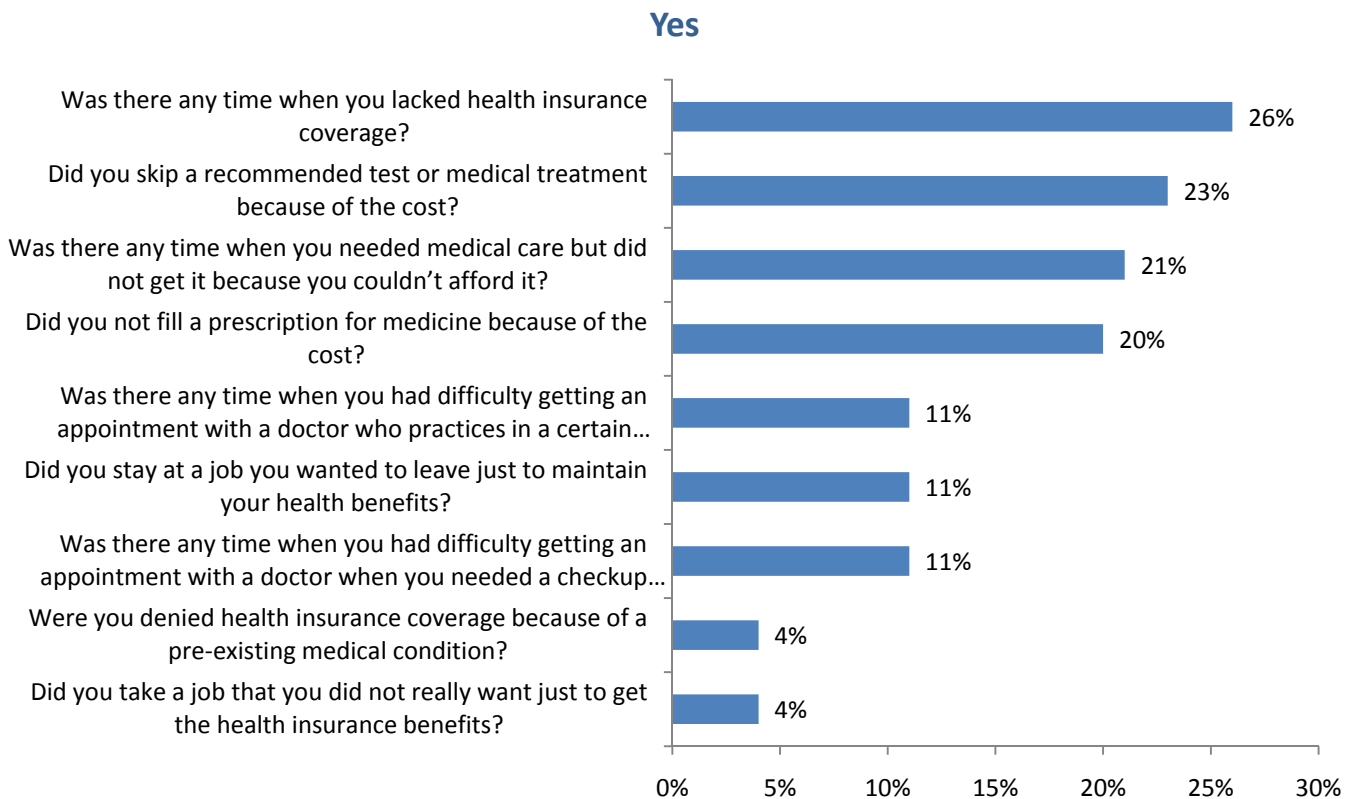
Healthcare

Americans are generally satisfied with how well the current healthcare system meets their needs. More than one in three (36%) says the system meets their needs very well, and another two in five (43%) say it meets their needs pretty well, leaving about one in five (20%) Americans who feel the system is not serving their personal needs. These proportions have not changed since the health care reform law was passed. Cost (62%) is the primary reason that respondents feel the system is not meeting their needs. Those over 55 years of age and residents of the Northeast are most likely among the demographic groups to believe the system meets their

needs (see Table A-1). Three in four (75%) Americans who have health insurance currently rate their coverage as very good or good.

The cost of healthcare and availability of health insurance coverage were significant problems for many adults during the past year. About one in four respondents were without health insurance coverage at some point during the previous 12 months. Nearly one in four adults report skipping a recommended test or medical treatment because of the cost, and one in five did not fill a prescription because of the cost (see Figure 1). The proportion of Americans who experienced these healthcare events during the past 12 months is consistent with the findings from our September 2009 and February 2010 national polls.

Figure 1. Selected Healthcare Experiences during Past 12 Months



Americans are still divided about reforming the country's health care system. About half (46%) of adults believe the system works well and needs only minor changes while about the same proportion (45%) believes the system needs a complete overhaul.

Few Americans think last year's health care reform law produced positive changes in their own health care and few expect those reforms to produce meaningful changes for the country. Nearly nine in ten (85%) respondents report the health care they receive is about the same as it was before the health care reform law passed, and three in four (74%) say the reform law has had no effect on them personally. More people believe the health care reform law will make the health care system worse (42%) than better (32%) and fewer than one in three (30%) believes the law will bring down the long-run costs of health care. Two in five (44%) respondents believe the health care law should be repealed. Residents of the South, those over 35, non-Hispanic whites, and Republicans are most likely among the demographic groups to believe the law should be repealed (see Table A-3).

Presidential Performance and Federal Budget

More registered voters say that President Obama is doing only a fair (29%) or poor (29%) job as president than say he is doing an excellent (9%) or good (32%) job. Residents of the West and Northeast, those under 35, non-hispanic blacks, and Democrats provide the highest job approval ratings for the president among the demographic groups (see Table A-4). We also find more voters disapprove than approve of how he has handled the economy (43% approve, 50% disapprove) and the situation in Libya (39% approve, 43% disapprove).

A majority (55%) of registered voters believes balancing the federal budget should be the top priority of the president and Congress. Only about one in six (16%) registered voters has been following the budget debate “very closely.” More registered voters believe program cuts (30%) rather than tax increases (11%) should be used to balance the budget, but nearly half (46%) of voters believes that both spending cuts and tax increases should be used to balance the budget. Registered voters have more confidence in the president’s ability to handle the federal budget (54% express confidence) than in Congress’s ability to do so (41% express confidence).

Table A-1

How well does the current healthcare system meet the needs of you and your family?

	Very Well	Pretty Well	Not Too Well	Not at All	Don't Know
Gender					
Male	34%	46%	10%	9%	1%
Female	38%	39%	12%	9%	2%
Census Region*					
Northeast	45%	39%	7%	7%	2%
Midwest	37%	49%	6%	5%	3%
South	34%	41%	14%	10%	1%
West	31%	41%	15%	13%	1%
Age*					
18 to 34	28%	49%	12%	9%	1%
35 to 54	35%	39%	13%	12%	1%
55 or older	44%	41%	7%	5%	3%
Education					
High school or less	30%	45%	13%	10%	2%
Some college	39%	43%	9%	7%	1%
College degree	42%	39%	9%	10%	1%
Income*					
Under \$35,000	30%	37%	14%	17%	2%
\$35,000-75,000	29%	48%	13%	8%	1%
Over \$75,000	47%	41%	7%	5%	1%
Race/Ethnicity					
Non-Hispanic White	38%	41%	10%	9%	2%
Non-Hispanic Black	31%	46%	18%	5%	0%
Non-Hispanic Other	26%	48%	9%	15%	2%
Hispanic	32%	46%	10%	12%	0%
Party Registration					
Republican	42%	39%	11%	5%	3%
Democrat	37%	42%	10%	10%	1%
Independent/Other	37%	47%	10%	5%	0%

* Significant differences (p<.05)

Table A-2

Do you think the country's healthcare system works pretty well and needs only minor changes to work better, or do you think the country's healthcare system has so many problems that it should be completely rebuilt?

	Minor changes to work better	Should be completely rebuilt	Do not know
Gender*			
Male	50%	42%	7%
Female	42%	48%	10%
Census Region			
Northeast	50%	45%	5%
Midwest	50%	41%	9%
South	47%	43%	11%
West	37%	54%	9%
Age*			
18-34 Years	44%	48%	8%
35-54 Years	49%	45%	6%
55 Years and Older	45%	42%	13%
Education*			
High School or Less	45%	43%	12%
Some College	50%	44%	6%
College Degree	43%	51%	6%
Income*			
Under \$35,000	38%	53%	9%
\$35-\$75,000	48%	44%	9%
Over \$75,000	51%	44%	5%
Race/Ethnicity*			
Non-Hispanic White	48%	42%	9%
Non-Hispanic Black	47%	50%	4%
Non-Hispanic Other	39%	45%	16%
Hispanic	39%	56%	5%
Party Registration			
Republican	51%	41%	7%
Democrat	44%	50%	6%
Independent/Other	53%	40%	7%

* Significant differences (p<.05)

Table A-3

Do you think the healthcare reform law that was passed last year should be repealed, or not?

	Yes	No	Do not know
Gender			
Male	45%	40%	16%
Female	42%	37%	21%
Census Region*			
Northeast	40%	39%	20%
Midwest	43%	34%	24%
South	50%	33%	17%
West	37%	50%	13%
Age*			
18-34 Years	35%	46%	19%
35-54 Years	49%	35%	16%
55 Years and Older	46%	35%	19%
Education*			
High School or Less	47%	32%	21%
Some College	46%	37%	17%
College Degree	36%	49%	15%
Income*			
Under \$35,000	41%	37%	22%
\$35-\$75,000	47%	36%	17%
Over \$75,000	43%	47%	10%
Race/Ethnicity*			
Non-Hispanic White	47%	34%	19%
Non-Hispanic Black	30%	50%	20%
Non-Hispanic Other	44%	41%	15%
Hispanic	37%	48%	15%
Party Registration*			
Republican	64%	16%	20%
Democrat	24%	59%	17%
Independent/Other	49%	36%	15%

* Significant differences (p<.05)

Table A-4

How would you rate the way that Barack Obama is handling his job as president? Would you say he is doing an excellent job, a good job, only a fair job, or a poor job as President?

	Excellent/Good	Fair/Poor	Do not know
Gender			
Male	39%	60%	1%
Female	43%	56%	2%
Census Region*			
Northeast	47%	52%	1%
Midwest	42%	57%	1%
South	33%	64%	3%
West	46%	54%	0%
Age			
18-34 Years	44%	56%	0%
35-54 Years	40%	58%	2%
55 Years and Older	39%	59%	2%
Education			
High School or Less	39%	59%	2%
Some College	40%	59%	0%
College Degree	44%	55%	1%
Income			
Under \$35,000	47%	51%	2%
\$35-\$75,000	35%	64%	1%
Over \$75,000	42%	57%	1%
Race/Ethnicity*			
Non-Hispanic White	34%	65%	1%
Non-Hispanic Black	74%	25%	2%
Non-Hispanic Other	47%	53%	0%
Hispanic	44%	53%	3%
Party Registration*			
Republican	17%	81%	2%
Democrat	69%	31%	0%
Independent/Other	29%	70%	1%

* Significant differences ($p < .05$)

Marginal Frequency Report

UStrk. All in all, do you think things in the United States are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

Jun 08*	Sep 08*	Oct 08*	Sep 09	Feb 10	Apr 11	
17%	21%	14%	36%	35%	26%	Right direction
78%	73%	82%	55%	59%	66%	Wrong track
5%	6%	4%	9%	6%	8%	Do not know

*Asked only of registered adults

MIP_YF. What do you think is the most important problem facing you and your family today?

Jun 08*	Sep 08*	Oct 08*	Sep 09	Feb 10	Apr 11	
45%	57%	65%	50%	64%	52%	Economy, personal finances, cost of living
8%	8%	9%	19%	11%	9%	Healthcare, insurance
3%	1%	1%	5%	3%	7%	Government, politicians
3%	4%	5%	3%	3%	2%	Taxes
0%	1%	1%	3%	2%	1%	Personal illness, health problems
0%	1%	1%	1%	2%	4%	Education, schools
0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	3%	Retirement, social security
0%	0%	0%	2%	1%	1%	Personal issues
3%	4%	4%	2%	2%	1%	Terrorism, national security, foreign policy, war
3%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	Values, morality, religion
22%	11%	4%	0%	1%	4%	Gasoline/oil prices, energy
0%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	Housing, real estate
0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	0%	Crime, drugs, violence
0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	Civil liberties, individual rights
0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	Environment, climate change
2%	0%	0%	0%	0%	2%	Immigration, illegal immigrants
0%	2%	1%	2%	3%	2%	Nothing
7%	2%	2%	2%	3%	3%	Other
4%	4%	3%	6%	5%	7%	Do not know

*Asked only of registered adults

Now I have some questions related to healthcare.

Q1. Is there a place that you usually go to when you are sick or need advice about your health?

Sep 09	Feb 10	Apr 11	
92%	93%	91%	Yes
8%	7%	9%	No

Q1yK. What kind of place do you go to most often?

Sep 09 n=961	Feb 10 n=851	Apr 11 n=727	
72%	78%	67%	Doctor's office
18%	16%	20%	Clinic
6%	3%	6%	Emergency room
4%	3%	6%	Other

Q1yS. Is that the same place you usually go when you need routine or preventive care, such as a physical examination or a check up?

Sep 09 n=961	Feb 10 n=851	Apr 11 n=727	
91%	93%	90%	Yes
7%	6%	8%	No
2%	1%	2%	Don't get routine/preventative care

Q3. How well does the current healthcare system meet the needs of you and your family?

Sep 09	Feb 10	Apr 11	
35%	37%	36%	Very well
43%	41%	43%	Pretty well
12%	12%	11%	Not too well
9%	9%	9%	Not well at all
1%	1%	2%	Do not know

Q3not. Why is the current healthcare system NOT meeting your needs?

Sep 09 n=221	Feb 10 n=194	Apr 11 n=160	
56%	49%	62%	Cost
22%	18%	15%	Certain things not covered
15%	12%	9%	Not insured
3%	8%	5%	Unemployed, changed job, retired
0%	6%	3%	Too impersonal, don't care
9%	3%	3%	Turned down for insurance, has pre-existing condition
18%	2%	6%	Doctors or facilities not meeting needs
0%	2%	3%	For profit, business interests
3%	1%	2%	Difficult to understand, complex
6%	19%	10%	Other
1%	2%	0%	Do not know

*Responses total over 100% because multiple responses were accepted.

HC. Do you have any kind of healthcare coverage, such as coverage provided by your employer, private health insurance, or government plans such as Medicare, Medicaid, or CHIP, the Children's Health Insurance Program?

Sep 09	Feb 10	Apr 11	
88%	91%	84%	Yes
12%	9%	16%	No
0%	0%	1%	Do not know

HCins. Which is it?

Sep 09 n=920	Feb 10 n=836	Apr 11 n=668	
50%	51%	54%	Coverage provided by employer
16%	17%	14%	Medicare
14%	11%	9%	Insurance you purchased yourself
6%	7%	7%	Medicare and private
6%	5%	7%	Medicaid
2%	3%	3%	Employer and Medicare
1%	2%	1%	Employer and private
1%	1%	1%	CHIP
3%	4%	4%	Other
0%	1%	0%	Do not know

HCrate. Would you say your health insurance coverage is...?

Sep 09 n=920	Feb 10 n=836	Apr 11 n=668	
37%	41%	36%	Very good
38%	34%	39%	Good
18%	18%	18%	Fair
4%	4%	5%	Poor
2%	2%	1%	Very poor
1%	1%	1%	Do not know

HCno. Which of the following is the main reason you are currently without health insurance coverage?

Sep 09 n=122	Feb 10 n=82	Apr 11 n=126	
73%	69%	56%	You cannot afford to pay for insurance
7%	7%	9%	You tried to get insurance but were turned down
9%	6%	8%	You do not think you need any health insurance
11%	18%	27%	Other

Q4. During the past 12 months... (questions rotated)

Apr 11	Yes	No	Do not know
Did you skip a recommended test or medical treatment because of the cost?	23%	77%	0%
Did you not fill a prescription for medicine because of the cost?	20%	80%	0%
Was there any time when you lacked health insurance coverage?	26%	73%	0%
Was there any time when you needed medical care but did not get it because you couldn't afford it?	21%	79%	1%
Was there any time when you had difficulty getting an appointment with a doctor when you needed a checkup or routine medical care?	11%	89%	0%
Did you stay at a job you wanted to leave just to maintain your health benefits?	11%	88%	1%
Was there any time when you had difficulty getting an appointment with a doctor who practices in a certain specialty, such as a cardiologist, orthopedist, or surgeon?	11%	88%	1%
Did you take a job that you did not really want just to get the health insurance benefits?	4%	96%	0%
Were you denied health insurance coverage because of a pre-existing medical condition?	4%	95%	1%

Feb 10	Yes	No	Do not know
Did you skip a recommended test or medical treatment because of the cost?	23%	77%	1%
Did you not fill a prescription for medicine because of the cost?	21%	79%	0%
Was there any time when you lacked health insurance coverage?	19%	81%	0%
Was there any time when you needed medical care but did not get it because you couldn't afford it?	18%	82%	0%
Was there any time when you had difficulty getting an appointment with a doctor when you needed a checkup or routine medical care?	15%	85%	0%
Did you stay at a job you wanted to leave just to maintain your health benefits?	13%	86%	1%
Was there any time when you had difficulty getting an appointment with a doctor who practices in a certain specialty, such as a cardiologist, orthopedist, or surgeon?	11%	89%	1%
Did you take a job that you did not really want just to get the health insurance benefits?	6%	94%	0%
Were you denied health insurance coverage because of a pre-existing medical condition?	2%	98%	0%

Sep 09	Yes	No	Do not know
Did you skip a recommended test or medical treatment because of the cost?	23%	77%	0%
Did you not fill a prescription for medicine because of the cost?	23%	77%	0%
Was there any time when you lacked health insurance coverage?	19%	81%	0%
Was there any time when you needed medical care but did not get it because you couldn't afford it?	18%	81%	1%
Was there any time when you had difficulty getting an appointment with a doctor who practices in a certain specialty, such as a cardiologist, orthopedist, or surgeon?	13%	87%	0%
Was there any time when you had difficulty getting an appointment with a doctor when you needed a checkup or routine medical care?	12%	88%	0%
Did you stay at a job you wanted to leave just to maintain your health benefits?	9%	91%	0%
Did you take a job that you did not really want just to get the health insurance benefits?	3%	97%	0%
Were you denied health insurance coverage because of a pre-existing medical condition?	2%	98%	0%

Q12. Do you think the country's healthcare system works pretty well and needs only minor changes to work better, or do you think the country's healthcare system has so many problems that it should be completely rebuilt?

Sep 09* n=825	Feb 10* n=683	Apr 11	
43%	45%	46%	Works pretty well and needs only minor changes
47%	47%	45%	Has so many problems that it should be completely rebuilt
10%	8%	9%	Do not know

HCRL1. Do you think that the passage of the healthcare reform law last year will make the healthcare system better or worse for most Americans?

Apr 11	
32%	Better
42%	Worse
9%	About the same
18%	Do not know

HCRL2. Do you think that the healthcare reform law will help reduce the costs of healthcare in the long run, or not?

Apr 11	
30%	Yes
54%	No
16%	Do not know

HCRL3. Do you think that the healthcare reform law will increase the number of Americans who have health insurance, or not?

Apr 11	
55%	Yes
29%	No
16%	Do not know

HCRL4. What effect did the passage of last year's healthcare reform law have on you personally? Would you say you and your family are better off, worse off, or about the same?

Apr 11	
9%	Better off
13%	Worse off
74%	About the same
4%	Do not know

HCRL5. Since the passage of the healthcare reform law, do you think the quality of healthcare you receive is better, worse, or about the same?

Apr 11	
4%	Better off
8%	Worse off
85%	About the same
3%	Do not know

HCRL6. Do you think the healthcare reform law that was passed last year should be repealed, or not?

Apr 11	
44%	Yes
38%	No
18%	Do not know

REG. Now I have a few questions about some people and issues in politics.

Some people are registered to vote, and many others are not. Are you CURRENTLY REGISTERED to vote at your present address? (*not asked of North Dakota residents*)

Jun 08	Sep 08	Oct 08	Sep 09	Feb 10	Apr 11	
84%	83%	85%	86%	84%	82%	Yes
15%	17%	15%	14%	16%	18%	No
0%	0%	0%	0%	0-%	1%	Do not know

RegPARTY through FBud5: Only asked of registered voters (n=652).

RegPARTY. Are you currently registered as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or as something else? (not asked of North Dakota residents) (registered voters n=652)

Jun 08	Sep 08	Oct 08	Sep 09	Feb 10	Apr 11	
30%	35%	33%	28%	36%	30%	Republican
44%	41%	43%	45%	34%	38%	Democrat
22%	21%	22%	24%	27%	27%	Independent/Other
4%	3%	3%	3%	3%	5%	Do not know

RatePres. How would you rate the way that Barack Obama is handling his job as president? Would you say he is doing an excellent job, a good job, only a fair job, or a poor job as President? (registered voters n=652)

Apr 11	
9%	Excellent
32%	Good
29%	Fair
29%	Poor
1%	Do not know

N17a. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the country's economic problems?

Feb 10*	Apr 11	
17%	16%	Strongly approve
28%	27%	Somewhat approve
13%	15%	Somewhat disapprove
38%	35%	Strongly disapprove
4%	7%	Do not know

*Asked only of registered adults

AprLib. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation in Libya?

Apr 11	
13%	Strongly approve
26%	Somewhat approve
15%	Somewhat disapprove
28%	Strongly disapprove
17%	Do not know

FBud1. These next questions are about the federal budget. Of all the priorities facing the country today, do you believe balancing the federal budget should be the TOP priority of the President and Congress or are there other more important issues for them to address?

Apr 11	
55%	Balancing the federal budget
39%	There are more important issues
6%	Do not know

FBud1no. What do you think the top priority should be?

Apr 11 n=251	
34%	Economy, personal finances, cost of living
9%	Education, schools
9%	Terrorism, national security, foreign policy, war
8%	Healthcare, insurance
5%	Government, politicians
3%	Retirement, social security
3%	Gasoline/oil prices, energy
2%	Environment, climate change
2%	Immigration, illegal immigrants
1%	Taxes
1%	Values, morality, religion
1%	Housing, real estate
7%	Other
16%	Do not know

FBud2. Have you heard or read anything about the budget negotiations going on in Washington?

Apr 11	
63%	Yes
36%	No
1%	Do not know

FBud2h. What exactly have you heard or read about the budget negotiations?

Apr 11 n=409	
37%	Budget: government shutdown; stalemate; budget extension/impasse
3%	Planned parenthood/ abortion funding
1%	Military Defense Funding
1%	Medicaid/Medicare Issues
1%	Social Security
1%	Education
2%	Specific Funding Topic Named
22%	General cuts, riders in general
29%	Party Politics: No bipartisanship, party disagreements
1%	Not about "the people" (about big business, special interests, etc.)
3%	Overspending/Debt Ceiling, Credit Issues
3%	Quality of Info: Not going well, bad or negative situation
5%	Quantity or source of info named
1%	Taxes - cuts
4%	Taxes - increase
3%	Party cooperation, negotiating, compromise
2%	Specific approached named (e.g., Ryan Plan)
3%	Other
5%	Do not know

FBud2c. How closely have you been following the budget negotiations: very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not at all?

Apr 11 n=409	
25%	Very closely
45%	Somewhat closely
27%	Not too closely
3%	Not at all

FBud3. How confident are you in President Obama's ability to handle the federal budget? Are you very confident, somewhat confident, not very confident, or not at all confident? (rotated with FBud4)

Apr 11	
15%	Very confident
39%	Somewhat confident
20%	Not at all confident
25%	Not at all
2%	Do not know

FBud4. How confident are you in Congress's ability to handle the federal budget? Are you very confident, somewhat confident, not very confident, or not at all confident? (rotated with FBud3)

Apr 11	
7%	Very confident
34%	Somewhat confident
32%	Not at all confident
24%	Not at all
4%	Do not know

FBud5. There are several ways the US could reduce its budget deficit. Generally speaking, do you think the president and Congress should increase taxes to balance the budget, cut programs and services to balance the budget, or should they both cut spending and increase taxes to balance the budget?

Apr 11	
11%	Increase taxes
30%	Cut programs
46%	Both cut spending and increase taxes
13%	Do not know

Nuc1. Now I'd like to ask you several questions about nuclear energy. Generally speaking, do you approve or disapprove of using nuclear energy to produce electric power?

Apr 11	
24%	Strongly approve
30%	Somewhat approve
13%	Somewhat disapprove
20%	Strongly disapprove
13%	Do not know

Nuc2. Do you favor or oppose building more nuclear power plants in this country?

Apr 11	
19%	Strongly favor
23%	Somewhat favor
17%	Somewhat oppose
33%	Strongly oppose
8%	Do not know

Nuc3. Do you feel the recent problems at the Japanese nuclear plant could happen at any of the nuclear power plants in the United States, or do you think an unusual series of things went wrong there that are extremely unlikely to happen in other nuclear plants?

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55%	Could happen at any nuclear power plants in the US
38%	An unusual series of things went wrong in Japan
7%	Do not know

Nuc4. All in all, do you think the benefits of nuclear power outweigh the risks, or not?

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52%	Yes
36%	No
12%	Do not know

DEMO. I now have a final few questions for statistical purposes only.

AGE. What was your age on your last birthday?

12% 18-24
20% 25-34
15% 35-44
24% 45-54
13% 55-64
17% 65 and older

EDUC. What was the highest grade level of schooling you have completed?

7% Non high school graduate
38% High school graduate or GED
18% Some college
9% Two-year or tech degree
16% Four year college degree
11% Post graduate degree

MAR. What is your current marital status, are you single, married, separated, divorced, or a widower?

30% Single, Never Married
51% Married
19% Separated/divorced/widower

PRTY. Regardless of how you are registered, in politics, as of today, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent?

14% Strong Republican
10% Republican
15% Lean Republican
15% Pure Independent
15% Lean Democrat
11% Democrat
17% Strong Democrat
1% Other
2% Do not know

LABR. Are you or is any member of your household a member of a LABOR UNION?

15% Yes
84% No
1% Do not know

VET. Are you a military veteran?

14% Yes
86% No

Hisp. Are you Hispanic or Latino, or not?

14% Yes
86% No

RACE. Which of the following categories best describes your racial background?

73% White
12% Black or African American
2% American Indian/Alaska Native
2% Asian
1% Native Hawaiian/Pacific Islander
8% Other
1% Do not know

REL. Do you consider yourself to be Protestant, Catholic, some other religion, or not affiliated with any religion?

30% Protestant
21% Catholic
26% Some other religion
21% Not affiliated with any religion
1% Do not know

BAC. Do you consider yourself to be a born-again Christian or fundamentalist, or not?

38% Yes
59% No
3% Do not know

NumA. Including yourself, how many adults 18 years of age or OLDER CURRENTLY live in this household?

27%	One
50%	Two
15%	Three
8%	Four or more

WORK. Are you currently working FULL-time, PART-time, going to school, keeping house, or something else?

45%	Full-time
16%	Retired
10%	Part-time
9%	Keeping house
8%	Going to school
8%	Unemployed
4%	Disabled
1%	Do not know

INC1. And, just for statistical purposes, we need to know if your total family income is above or below \$50,000 per year?

21%	Under \$25,000
15%	\$25-\$35,000
10%	\$35-50,000
17%	\$50-75,000
15%	\$75-100,000
16%	Over \$100,000
7%	Don't know

DONE. Sex of respondent:

51%	Female
49%	Male

Region. Region of the country (from STATE response)

37%	South
22%	Midwest
23%	West
19%	Northeast

Cell. Telephone Types

25%	Cell Only
57%	Cell and Landline
18%	Landline Only