**PEW RESEARCH CENTER FOR THE PEOPLE & THE PRESS**

**DECEMBER 2012 POLITICAL SURVEY**

**FINAL QUESTIONNAIRE**

December 5, 2012

N=1500 adults 18+ (900 landline, 600 cell phone), English & Spanish

50 states (include Alaska and Hawaii)

Field Period: December 5-9, 2012

**LANDLINE INTRO:**

Hello, I am \_\_\_\_\_ calling for **[**SRBI Survey Research**]**. We are conducting a **[RANDOMIZE:** “telephone opinion survey for leading newspapers and TV stations around the country” **AND** “study about some important issues today and would like to include your household”**]** . I’d like to ask a few questions of the **[RANDOMIZE**: “YOUNGEST MALE, 18 years of age or older, who is now at home” **AND** “YOUNGEST FEMALE, 18 years of age or older, who is now at home?”**]** **[IF NO MALE/FEMALE, ASK:** May I please speak with the YOUNGEST FEMALE/MALE, 18 years of age or older, who is now at home?] **GO TO MAIN INTERVIEW**

**CELL PHONE INTRO:**

Hello, I am \_\_\_ calling for [SRBI Survey Research]. We are conducting a **[RANDOMIZE:** “survey for leading newspapers and TV stations around the country” **AND** “study about some important issues today and would like to include you”**]**. I know I am calling you on a cell phone. If you would like to be reimbursed for your cell phone minutes, we will pay all eligible respondents $5 for participating in this survey. This is not a sales call. **[IF R SAYS DRIVING/UNABLE TO TAKE CALL;** Thank you.We will try you another time…**]**.

**VOICE MAIL MESSAGE (LEAVE ONLY ONCE -- THE FIRST TIME A CALL GOES TO VOICEMAIL):** I am calling for [SRBI Survey Research]. We are conducting a **[ASSIGN BASED ON RANDOMIZATION ABOVE:** “national survey of cell phone users” AND “study about some important issues today and would like to include you”**]**. This is NOT a sales call. We will try to reach you again.

**SCREENING INTERVIEW:**

S1. Are you under 18 years old, OR are you 18 or older?

|  |  |
| --- | --- |
| 1 | Under 18 |
| 2 | 18 or older |
| 9 | Don’t know/Refused |

**IF S1=2, CONTINUE WITH MAIN INTERVIEW**

**IF S1=1,9 THANK AND TERMINATE: This survey is limited to adults age 18 and over.  I won’t take any more of your time…**

**READ TO ALL CELL PHONE**

**INTRODUCTION TO MAIN INTERVIEW:** If you are now driving a car or doing any activity requiring your full attention, I need to call you back later. The first question is…

**INTERVIEWER:**

**IF R SAYS IT IS NOT A GOOD TIME, TRY TO ARRANGE A TIME TO CALL BACK.  OFFER THE TOLL-FREE CALL-IN NUMBER THEY CAN USE TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY BEFORE ENDING THE CONVERSATION.**

**[PROGRAMMER NOTE: PLEASE INCLUDE THE INTRODUCTION RANDOMIZATION VARIABLES IN THE ALL CONTACTS FILES. WE WOULD LIKE TO BE ABLE TO RUN RESPONSE RATES SEPARATELY FOR EACH VERSION OF THE INTRODUCTION FOR THE LANDLINE AND CELL FRAMES SEPARATELY.]**

**RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.1 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH:** Overall do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? **IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]**

1 Approve

2 Disapprove

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**RANDOMIZE Q.1 AND Q.2**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.2 All in all, are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in this country today?

1 Satisfied

2 Dissatisfied

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.3 Looking ahead, so far as you are concerned, do you think that 2013 will be better or worse than 2012?

1 Better

2 Worse

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.4 Do you approve or disapprove of the job the **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** are doing? **[IF DK ENTER AS DK. IF DEPENDS PROBE ONCE WITH:** Overall do you approve or disapprove of the job the **[ITEM]** are doing? **IF STILL DEPENDS ENTER AS DK]. [INTERVIEWER INSTRUCTION: REPEAT FULL QUESTION FOR NEXT ITEM]**

a. Republican leaders in Congress

b. Democratic leaders in Congress

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Approve

2 Disapprove

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTION 5**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.6 If you were setting priorities for the federal government these days, would you place a higher priority on **[OPTION]** or a higher priority on **[OPTION]**?

**RANDOMIZE OPTIONS:**

1 Spending to help the economy recover [OR]

2 Reducing the budget deficit

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**NO QUESTION 7**

**RANDOMIZE Q.8 AND Q.9 IN BLOCK WITH Q.10 AND Q.11**

**ASK ALL:**  
Thinking about the nation’s economy…

Q.8 How would you rate economic conditions in this country today… as excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

1 Excellent

2 Good

3 Only fair

4 Poor

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**RANDOMIZE Q.8 AND Q.9 IN BLOCK WITH Q.10 AND Q.11**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.9 A year from now, do you expect that economic conditions in the country as a whole will be better than they are at present, or worse, or just about the same as now?

1 Better

2 Worse

3 Same

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**RANDOMIZE Q.8 AND Q.9 IN BLOCK WITH Q.10 AND Q.11**

**ASK ALL:**

Thinking about your personal finances...

Q.10 How would you rate your own personal financial situation? Would you say you are in excellent shape, good shape, only fair shape or poor shape financially?

1 Excellent shape

2 Good shape

3 Only fair shape

4 Poor shape

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**RANDOMIZE Q.8 AND Q.9 IN BLOCK WITH Q.10 AND Q.11**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.11 Over the course of the next year, do you think the financial situation of you and your family will improve a lot, improve some, get a little worse or get a lot worse?

1 Improve a lot

2 Improve some

3 Get a little worse

4 Get a lot worse

5 Stay the same **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.12 Which of the following national economic issues worries you most? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

1 Problems in the financial and housing markets

2 The federal budget deficit

3 Rising prices [OR]

4 The job situation

7 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Other **(SPECIFY)**

8 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** None/not worried about any

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

Q.13 Thinking now about job opportunities where you live, would you say there are plenty of jobs available in your community or are jobs difficult to find?

1 Plenty of jobs available

2 Jobs are difficult to find

3 Lots of some jobs, few of others **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL FORM 2 ONLY:**

Q.14F2 What’s your view… Do you think the country is more politically divided these days than in the past, or not?

1 Yes, more politically divided

2 No, not more divided

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

Q.15F1 Thinking about the people you know, are they more divided over politics these days than in the past, or not?

1 More divided

2 Not more divided

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.16 Would you say your overall opinion of **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]** is very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? **[INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN “NEVER HEARD OF” AND “CAN’T RATE.”]** How about **[NEXT ITEM]?** **[IF NECESSARY:** Just in general, is your overall opinion of **[ITEM]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?**] [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN “NEVER HEARD OF” AND “CAN’T RATE.”]**

a. The Democratic Party

b. The Republican Party

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

c.F1 Congress

d.F1 Military leaders

**NO ITEMS** e-f

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

g.F2 The Supreme Court

h.F2 The military

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Very favorable

2 Mostly favorable

3 Mostly unfavorable

4 Very unfavorable

5 Never heard of **(VOL.)**

8 Can't rate **(VOL.)**

9 Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.17 And is your overall opinion of **[INSERT NAME; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable? How about **[NEXT NAME]?** **[IF NECESSARY:** Just in general, is your overall opinion of **[NAME]** very favorable, mostly favorable, mostly UNfavorable, or very unfavorable?**] [INTERVIEWERS: PROBE TO DISTINGUISH BETWEEN “NEVER HEARD OF” AND “CAN’T RATE.”]**

a. Barack Obama

b. John Boehner

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

**NO ITEMS** c-g

h.F1 Harry Reid

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

i.F2 Hillary Clinton

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Very favorable

2 Mostly favorable

3 Mostly unfavorable

4 Very unfavorable

5 Never heard of **(VOL.)**

8 Can’t rate **(VOL.)**

9 Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 18-29**

**ASK ALL:**

Next I’d like to ask about some things that have been in the news. Please answer as best you can. If you don’t know the answer just tell me and we’ll move to the next question.

Q.30 When people refer to the upcoming “Fiscal Cliff,” is this about? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

1 Automatic tax increases and spending cuts

2 New trade policies with China [OR]

3 A sudden rise in interest rates

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

As you may know, automatic tax increases and spending cuts are scheduled to take place in January.

**ASK ALL:**

**RANDOMIZE Q.31 AND Q.32**

Q.31 If these automatic spending cuts take place, which area of government spending would be reduced the most? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

1 Military defense

2 Social Security [OR]

3 Food stamps

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

**RANDOMIZE Q.31 AND Q.32**

Q.32 If these automatic tax increases take place, will taxes go up for … **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

1 Only high-income tax payers [OR]

2 Nearly all tax payers

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**NO QUESTIONS 33-39**

Thinking about the political parties …  
**ASK ALL:**

Q.40 Please tell me if you think each phrase I read better describes the REPUBLICAN Party and its leaders or the DEMOCRATIC Party and its leaders (First,) which party do you think is better described by the phrase… **[INSERT ITEM; READ IN REVERSE ORDER FOR RANDOM HALF SAMPLE.]** Which party **[NEXT ITEM]**?

a. Is more extreme in its positions

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

b.F1 Can better manage the federal government

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

c.F2 Is more influenced by lobbyists and special interests

**ASK ALL:**

d. Is more willing to work with political leaders from the other party

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Republican Party

2 Democratic Party

3 Both equally **(VOL.)**

4 Neither **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.41 And which party could do a better job of **[INSERT FIRST ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]**? How about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY:** Which party could do a better job of **ITEM**?**]**

**NO ITEM** a

b. Dealing with the federal budget deficit

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

c.F1 Dealing with the Medicare system

d.F1 Improving the education system

e.F1 Improving the job situation

f.F1 Dealing with the nation’s energy problems

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

g.F2 Dealing with immigration

h.F2 Dealing with taxes

i.F2 Dealing with the Social Security system

j.F2 Dealing with health care

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Republican Party

2 Democratic Party

3 Both equally **(VOL.)**

4 Neither **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTION 42**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.43 In your view, what is the best way to reduce the federal budget deficit? Should we mostly focus on **[RANDOMIZE:** Cutting major programs / Increasing taxes**]** mostly focus on **[**increasing taxes / cutting major programs**]** or should we do a combination of both?

1 Cutting major programs

2 Increasing taxes

3 Combination of both

4 Deficit is not a priority/Don’t focus on deficit **(VOL.)**

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 44-45**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.46 Looking ahead five years or so, do you think we will have made significant progress in reducing the federal budget deficit, or not?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.47 Thinking about ways to reduce the deficit and size of the national debt, please tell me if you would approve or disapprove of each of the following. First, **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE; OBSERVE FORM SPLITS]** Would you approve or disapprove of thisas a way to reduce the size of the national debt?What about **[NEXT ITEM]**? **[IF NECESSARY:** Would you approve or disapprove of thisas a way to reduce the size of the national debt?**]**

a. Reduce military defense spending

b. Raise the income tax rate on incomes over $250,000 a year

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

c.F1 Limit the amount of deductions a taxpayer can claim

d.F1 Gradually raising the age at which people can begin receiving Medicare benefits

e.F1 Reduce Medicare benefits for seniors with higher incomes

f.F1 Reduce federal funding for programs that help lower-income Americans

g.F1 Reducefederal funding for roads and transportation

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

h.F2 Gradually raising the age at which people can begin receiving Social Security benefits

i.F2 Reduce Social Security benefits for seniors with higher incomes

j.F2 Raise the tax rate on investment income

k.F2 Reduce federal funding for education

l.F2 Limit tax deductions for interest paid on home mortgages

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Approve

2 Disapprove

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.48 From what you’ve read and heard, can the nation’s long-term debt problem be solved **[INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE]** or can it be solved **[ITEM]**?

1 Only if some taxes go up

2 Without having to raise any taxes

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF (Q.48=1):**

Q.49 To solve the nation’s long-term debt problem, will taxes need to go up … **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**?

1 Just for wealthy Americans

OR

2 For both middle class and wealthy Americans

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**NO QUESTION 50**

**ASK ALL:**

Thinking about the current debate in Washington over the debt and deficit …

**RANDOMIZE Q.51 AND Q.52**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.51 Are Republicans in Congress making a serious effort to work with Barack Obama to reach an agreement on the budget deficit, or not?

1 Yes, making serious effort

2 No, not making serious effort

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**RANDOMIZE Q.51 AND Q.52**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.52 Is Barack Obama making a serious effort to work with Republicans in Congress to reach an agreement on the budget deficit, or not?

1 Yes, making serious effort

2 No, not making serious effort

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 53-59**

**ASK ALL:**

On a different subject,

Q.60 In the dispute between Israel and the Palestinians, which side do you sympathize with more, Israel or the Palestinians?

1 Israel

2 Palestinians

3 Both **(VOL.)**

4 Neither **(VOL.)**

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 61-63**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.64 How much, if anything, have you read or heard about recent political violence in Syria? Have you heard…**[READ]**

1 A lot

2 A little

3 Nothing at all

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

Q.65 Do you think the United States has a responsibility to do something about the fighting in Syria between government forces and anti-government groups, or doesn’t the United States have this responsibility?

1 U.S. has responsibility

2 Doesn’t have responsibility

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.66 Would you favor or oppose the U.S. and its allies sending arms and military supplies to anti-government groups in Syria?

1 Favor

2 Oppose

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 67-78**

**ASK ALL:**

Next,

Q.79 Do you happen to know if Mitt Romney is Protestant, Catholic, Mormon, Jewish, Muslim, atheist, agnostic, or some other religion? **[INTERVIEWERS: IF R SAYS “MULTIPLE FAITHS/ALL OF THE ABOVE,” RECORD AS “8-SOME OTHER RELIGION” AND RECORD VERBATIM RESPONSE]**

1 Protestant (include volunteers of Baptist, Methodist, Presbyterian, Episcopalian, Church of Christ, etc.)

2 Catholic (Roman Catholic)

3 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)

4 Jewish (Judaism)

5 Muslim (Islam)

6 Atheist (does not believe in God)

7 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)

8 Some other religion **(SPECIFY:\_\_\_\_\_\_)**

9 Christian **(VOL.)**

98 Don’t know **(VOL.)**

99 Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

RELIG What is your present religion, if any? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Mormon, Orthodox such as Greek or Russian Orthodox, Jewish, Muslim, Buddhist, Hindu, atheist, agnostic, something else, or nothing in particular?

**[INTERVIEWER: IF R VOLUNTEERS “nothing in particular, none, no religion, etc.” BEFORE REACHING END OF LIST, PROMPT WITH: And would you say that’s atheist, agnostic, or just nothing in particular?]**

1. Protestant (Baptist, Methodist, Non-denominational, Lutheran, Presbyterian, Pentecostal, Episcopalian, Reformed, Church of Christ, Jehovah’s Witness, etc.)

2 Roman Catholic (Catholic)

3 Mormon (Church of Jesus Christ of Latter-day Saints/LDS)

4 Orthodox (Greek, Russian, or some other orthodox church)

5 Jewish (Judaism)

6 Muslim (Islam)

7 Buddhist

8 Hindu

9 Atheist (do not believe in God)

10 Agnostic (not sure if there is a God)

11 Something else **(SPECIFY:\_\_\_\_\_\_)**

12 Nothing in particular

13 Christian **(VOL.)**

14 Unitarian (Universalist) **(VOL.)**

99 Don't Know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF SOMETHING ELSE OR DK/REF (RELIG=11,99):**

CHR Do you think of yourself as a Christian or not? **[IF R NAMED A NON-CHRISTIAN RELIGION IN PREVIOUS QUESTION (e.g. Native American, Wiccan, Pagan, etc.), DO NOT READ (ENTER "NO" CODE 2)]**

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF CHRISTIAN (RELIG=1-4,13 OR CHR=1):**

BORN Would you describe yourself as a "born again" or evangelical Christian, or not?

1 Yes, would

2 No, would not

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

ATTEND Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services... more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

1 More than once a week

2 Once a week

3 Once or twice a month

4 A few times a year

5 Seldom

6 Never

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Now thinking about the Mormon religion, also known as the Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints…

Q.80 How much would you say you know about the Mormon religion and its practices? **[READ IN ORDER]**

1 A great deal

2 Some

3 Not very much

4 Nothing at all

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

Q.81 Please tell me what one word best describes your impression of the Mormon religion. Tell me just the one best word that comes to mind. **[OPEN-END. PROBE ONCE IF RESPONDENT ANSWERS “DON’T KNOW”. ACCEPT UP TO TWO RESPONSES, BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR SECOND RESPONSE]**

**RESPONSE CATEGORIES:**

1 Answer given

9 Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF R IS NOT A MORMON (RELIG≠3):**

Q.82 From what you know, do you think that the Mormon religion and your own [**IF R HAS A RELIGION OTHER THAN MORMONISM (RELIG=1-2, 4-8, 11, 13-14 OR {RELIG=99 AND CHR=1}):** religion; **IF R IS ATHEIST, AGNOSTIC, NOTHING IN PARTICULAR OR DK & NOT CHRISTIAN (RELIG=9, 10, 12 OR {RELIG=99 AND CHR=2, 9});** beliefs**]** have a lot in common, or do you think that the Mormon religion and your [religion/beliefs] are very different?

1 A lot in common

2 Very different

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF R IS NOT A MORMON (RELIG≠3):**

Q.83 Based on what you have read or heard about Mormons, do you think their religion is a Christian religion, or do you think it is not a Christian religion?

1 Yes, their religion is a Christian religion

2 No, their religion is not a Christian religion

9 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**NO QUESTIONS 84-85**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.86 How much, if anything, would you say you learned about the Mormon religion over the course of the 2012 presidential campaign? **[READ]**

1 A great deal

2 Some

3 Not very much

4 Nothing at all

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**RANDOMIZE Q.87 AND Q.88**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.87 Do you happen to know when the Mormon religion was founded? **[READ IN ORDER]**

1 Before the year 1200 A.D.

2 Between 1200 and 1800 A.D.

3 Sometime after 1800 A.D.

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**RANDOMIZE Q.87 AND Q.88**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.88 Just as far as you know … The Book of Mormon tells the story of Jesus Christ appearing to people in what area of the world? **[READ AND RANDOMIZE]**

1 The Americas

2 Middle East

3 Asia

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK FORM 1 ONLY:**

Q.89F1 In your view, would you prefer if stores and businesses greet their customers by saying “merry Christmas,” OR would you prefer if stores and businesses use less religious terms such as “happy holidays” and “season’s greetings?”

1 Prefer “Merry Christmas”

2 Prefer less religious terms

3 Doesn’t matter/don’t care **(VOL.)**

9 Don’t know/refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK FORM 2 ONLY:**

Q.90F2 In your view, would you prefer if stores and businesses greet their customers by saying “merry Christmas,” OR would you prefer if stores and businesses use less religious terms such as “happy holidays” and “season’s greetings”, or doesn’t it matter to you?

1 Prefer “Merry Christmas”

2 Prefer less religious terms

3 Doesn’t matter

9 Don’t know/refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Now, just a few questions for statistical purposes only.

SEX **[ENTER RESPONDENT'S SEX:]**

1 Male

2 Female

**ASK ALL:**

AGE What is your age?

\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ years

97 97 or older

99 Don’t know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

EDUC What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? **[DO NOT READ] [INTERVIEWER NOTE:** Enter code 3-HS grad if R completed training that did NOT count toward a degree**]**

1 Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)

2 High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)

3 High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)

4 Some college, no degree (includes community college)

5 Two year associate degree from a college or university

6 Four year college or university degree/Bachelor’s degree (e.g., BS, BA, AB)

7 Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree (e.g. some graduate school)

8 Postgraduate or professional degree, including master’s, doctorate, medical or law degree (e.g., MA, MS, PhD, MD, JD, graduate school)

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**[MAKE FULL NOTE AVAILABLE FOR INTERVIEWERS:** Enter code 3-HS graduate” if R completed vocational, business, technical, or training courses after high school that did NOT count toward an associate degree from a college, community college or university (e.g., training for a certificate or an apprenticeship)**]**

**ASK ALL:**

HISP Are you of Hispanic, Latino, or Spanish origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican or Cuban?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

RACE Which of the following describes your race? You can select as many as apply. White, Black or African American, Asian or Asian American or some other race. **[RECORD UP TO FOUR IN ORDER MENTIONED BUT DO NOT PROBE FOR ADDITIONAL]** **[IF R VOLS MIXED BIRACIAL, PROBE ONCE:** What race or races is that?**]**

1 White (e.g., Caucasian, European, Irish, Italian, Arab, Middle Eastern)

2 Black or African-American (e.g., Negro, Kenyan, Nigerian, Haitian)

3 Asian or Asian-American (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, Filipino, Vietnamese or other Asian origin groups)

4 Some other race **(SPECIFY\_\_\_\_ IF NEEDED:** What race or races is that?**)**

5 Native American/American Indian/Alaska Native **(VOL.)**

6 Pacific Islander/Native Hawaiian **(VOL.)**

7 Hispanic/Latino **(VOL.)** (e.g., Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban)

8 Don't know **(VOL.)**

9 Refused (e.g., non-race answers like American, Human, purple) **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF HISPANIC (HISP=1 OR RACE=7):**

BIRTH\_HISP Were you born in the United States, on the island of Puerto Rico, or in another country?

1 U.S.

2 Puerto Rico

3 Another country

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

INCOME Last year, that is in 2011, what was your total family income from all sources, before taxes? Just stop me when I get to the right category. **[READ]**

1 Less than $10,000

2 10 to under $20,000

3 20 to under $30,000

4 30 to under $40,000

5 40 to under $50,000

6 50 to under $75,000

7 75 to under $100,000

8 100 to under $150,000 [OR]

9 $150,000 or more

10 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**ASK IF $150,000+ (INCOME=9):**

INCOME2 And was that more than $250,000, or not?

1 More than $250,000

2 Less than $250,000

3 Exactly $250,000 **(VOL.)**

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

Q.91 When you file your federal income tax next year, will you probably itemize your personal deductions or will you take the standard deduction?

1 Itemize

2 Standard deduction

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

REG Which of these statements best describes you? **[READ IN ORDER] [INSTRUCTION: BE SURE TO CLARIFY WHETHER RESPONDENT IS ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN THEY ARE REGISTERED OR ONLY PROBABLY REGISTERED; IF RESPONDENT VOLUNTEERS THAT THEY ARE IN NORTH DAKOTA AND DON’T HAVE TO REGISTER, PUNCH 1]**

1 Are you ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that you are registered to vote at your current address [OR]

2 Are you PROBABLY registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed [OR]

3 Are you NOT registered to vote at your current address

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or independent?

1 Republican

2 Democrat

3 Independent

4 No preference **(VOL.)**

5 Other party **(VOL.)**

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF INDEP/NO PREF/OTHER/DK/REF (PARTY=3,4,5,9):**

PARTYLN As of today do you lean more to the Republican Party or more to the Democratic Party?

1 Republican

2 Democrat

9 Other/Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

IDEO In general, would you describe your political views as... **[READ]**

1 Very conservative

2 Conservative

3 Moderate

4 Liberal [OR]

5 Very liberal

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

TEAPARTY2 From what you know, do you agree or disagree with the Tea Party movement, or don’t you have an opinion either way?

1 Agree

2 Disagree

3 No opinion either way

8 Haven’t heard of **(VOL.)**

9 Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL:**

HH1 How many people, including yourself, live in your household?

**INTERVIEWER NOTE: HOUSEHOLD MEMBERS INCLUDE PEOPLE WHO THINK OF THIS HOUSEHOLD AS THEIR PRIMARY PLACE OF RESIDENCE, INCLUDING THOSE WHO ARE TEMPORARILY AWAY ON BUSINESS, VACATION, IN A HOSPITAL, OR AWAY AT SCHOOL**. **THIS INCLUDES INFANTS, CHILDREN AND ADULTS.**

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Enter number 1-7

8 8 or more

9 Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HH (HH1>1):**

HH3 How many, including yourself, are adults, age 18 and older?

\_\_\_\_\_\_ Enter number 1-7

8 8 or more

9 Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL LANDLINE SAMPLE:**

L1. Now thinking about your telephone use… Do you have a working cell phone?

1 Yes, have cell phone

2 No, do not

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF NO CELL PHONE AND MULTI-PERSON HOUSEHOLD (L1=2,9 AND HH1>1):**

L1a. Does anyone in your household have a working cell phone?

1 Yes, someone in household has cell phone

2 No

1. Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK ALL CELL PHONE SAMPLE:**

C1. Now thinking about your telephone use… Is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

1 Yes home telephone

2 No, home telephone

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

**ASK IF DUAL AND SINGLE-PERSON HOUSEHOLD ((L1=1 OR C1=1) AND HH1=1):**

LC2. Of all the telephone calls that you receive, do you get **[READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 3—KEEP 2 ALWAYS IN THE MIDDLE]**?

1 All or almost all calls on a cell phone

2 Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone

3 All or almost all calls on a regular home phone

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK IF DUAL AND MULTI-PERSON HOUSEHOLD ((L1=1 OR L1a=1 OR C1=1) AND HH1>1):**

LC3. Now thinking about all the people in your household, including yourself, of all the telephone calls that your household receives, are **[READ AND RANDOMIZE OPTIONS 1 AND 3—KEEP 2 ALWAYS IN THE MIDDLE]**?

1 All or almost all calls on a cell phone

2 Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone

3 All or almost all calls on a regular home phone

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don’t know/Refused

**ASK ALL:**

ZIPCODE What is your zipcode?

\_\_\_\_\_ Enter Zipcode

9 Don’t know/Refused

**END OF INTERVIEW**

**ASK CELL PHONE SAMPLE:**

MONEY2 That’s the end of the interview. If you would like to be reimbursed for your cell phone minutes, we can send you $5. I will need your full name and a mailing address where we can send you the money? **[INTERVIEWER NOTE:** If R does not want to give full name, explain we only need it so we can send the $5 to them personally.**]**

1 **[ENTER FULL NAME] – INTERVIEWER: PLEASE VERIFY SPELLING**

2 **[ENTER MAILING ADDRESS]**

3 **[City]**

4 **[State]**

5 **CONFIRM ZIP from above**

9 **(VOL.)** Respondent does not want the money

**ASK ALL:**

Thank you very much for your time. This survey is being conducted by the Pew Research Center for the People and the Press, which will be issuing a report on the results of this survey on their website, peoplepress *dot* ORG, in the coming weeks.

**THANK YOU** again for your help! Have a nice day/evening.

I HEREBY ATTEST THAT THIS IS A TRUE AND HONEST INTERVIEW.

INTERVIEWER GENDER:

ISEX

1 Male

2 Female

INTERVIEWER RACE:

IHISP1 Are you, yourself, of Hispanic origin or descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Spanish background?

1 Yes

2 No

9 Don't know/Refused **(VOL.)**

IRACE1 Which of the following describes your race? You can select as many as apply.

**[READ LIST. RECORD UP TO FOUR RESPONSES IN ORDER MENTIONED]**

1 White

2 Black or African-American

3 Asian or Asian-American

4 Or some other race

9 **[VOL. DO NOT READ]** Don't know/Refused

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