UMass Poll – National Poll of Political Issues

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Sample: 800 adults

The survey was conducted by YouGov America (http://yougov.com). The respondents were matched on gender, age, race, education, party identification, ideology, and political interest. YouGov then weighted the matched set of survey respondents to known marginals from the American Community Survey. All analyses were produced using these weights.

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FAVORABILITY OF ELECTED OFFICIALS What is your opinion of the following individuals?

Obama

		Gender		Party Identification (p<0.001)			Ideology (p<0.001)		
	Adults	Men	Women	Dem.	Rep.	Ind.	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very favorable	34%	36%	33%	68%	6%	19%	69%	31%	13%
Favorable	17%	14%	20%	20%	5%	20%	22%	26%	4%
Unfavorable	9%	9%	9%	4%	14%	11%	5%	12%	9%
Very unfavorable	34%	38%	31%	7%	73%	43%	3%	26%	71%
Not sure	6%	4%	7%	1%	2%	8%	1%	5%	3%
Total N	797	367	431	311	203	240	228	223	294

	Race (p<0.001)						
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Mixed	Other
Very favorable	26%	72%	50%	29%	31%	26%	20%
Favorable	16%	17%	20%	35%	5%	19%	0%
Unfavorable	10%	2%	8%	0%	0%	13%	15%
Very unfavorable	44%	3%	20%	0%	65%	19%	35%
Not sure	4%	6%	3%	36%	0%	23%	30%
Total N	599	79	68	16	8	16	12

	Age (p<0.05)			Income		
	18-29	30-54	55 or older	Under $50k	$50-$100k	Over $100k
Very favorable	34%	35%	33%	38%	32%	33%
Favorable	19%	17%	16%	16%	16%	16%
Unfavorable	7%	10%	9%	8%	14%	9%
Very unfavorable	29%	30%	42%	31%	37%	34%
Not sure	12%	8%	0%	6%	2%	5%
Total N	119	328	351	365	220	108

Biden

		Gender (p<0.05)		Party Identification (p<0.001)			Ideology (p<0.001)		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Very favorable	25%	27%	23%	49%	3%	15%	50%	23%	8%
Favorable	23%	23%	22%	30%	11%	25%	33%	32%	10%
Unfavorable	10%	8%	11%	5%	16%	11%	5%	12%	11%
Very unfavorable	29%	36%	23%	7%	65%	34%	2%	22%	64%
Not sure	13%	5%	20%	9%	5%	15%	9%	11%	7%
Total N	799	368	431	312	203	241	229	223	294

Race (p<0.001)

	White	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Very favorable	20%	59%	28%	20%	0%	14%	20%
Favorable	22%	21%	33%	20%	0%	25%	0%
Unfavorable	11%	3%	5%	0%	36%	19%	20%
Very unfavorable	37%	5%	19%	0%	59%	13%	29%
Not sure	10%	12%	16%	60%	5%	29%	30%
Total N	600	79	68	16	8	16	12

	Age (p<0.001)			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50k**	**$50-$100k**	**Over $100k**
Very favorable	30%	20%	29%	30%	23%	21%
Favorable	14%	29%	19%	19%	25%	25%
Unfavorable	8%	9%	12%	10%	10%	9%
Very unfavorable	20%	27%	37%	25%	33%	39%
Not sure	28%	16%	3%	16%	8%	7%
Total N	119	328	352	365	220	108

Kerry

		Gender (p<0.001)		**Party Identification** (p<0.001)			**Ideology** (p<0.001)		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Very favorable	19%	24%	15%	37%	7%	12%	37%	18%	9%
Favorable	22%	19%	25%	33%	10%	21%	34%	31%	9%
Unfavorable	14%	13%	14%	4%	22%	19%	5%	16%	20%
Very unfavorable	21%	29%	14%	4%	42%	29%	4%	13%	46%
Not sure	24%	15%	32%	23%	18%	20%	20%	22%	16%
Total N	798	368	430	312	203	240	229	223	293

Race (p<0.05)

	White	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Very favorable	16%	41%	21%	18%	0%	14%	13%
Favorable	22%	19%	28%	18%	0%	38%	7%
Unfavorable	15%	5%	16%	0%	5%	0%	23%
Very unfavorable	26%	3%	8%	0%	65%	19%	27%
Not sure	20%	32%	26%	64%	31%	29%	30%
Total N	599	79	68	16	8	16	12

	Age (p<0.05)			**Income** (p<0.10)		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50k**	**$50-$100k**	**Over $100k**
Very favorable	20%	17%	22%	22%	18%	14%
Favorable	14%	24%	24%	19%	28%	27%
Unfavorable	9%	13%	17%	11%	16%	19%
Very unfavorable	15%	20%	26%	19%	23%	25%
Not sure	42%	27%	12%	30%	16%	16%
Total N	119	327	352	365	219	108

Boehner

		Gender (p<0.05)		Party Identification (p<0.001)			Ideology (p<0.001)		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Very favorable	5%	6%	5%	2%	9%	8%	0%	5%	9%
Favorable	20%	23%	17%	15%	35%	17%	5%	20%	34%
Unfavorable	18%	17%	18%	13%	28%	19%	12%	20%	23%
Very unfavorable	34%	41%	28%	52%	11%	36%	63%	36%	18%
Not sure	23%	13%	32%	19%	17%	20%	19%	18%	16%
Total N	797	368	429	310	203	241	228	222	294

	Race						
	White	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Very favorable	7%	2%	1%	0%	0%	0%	8%
Favorable	19%	16%	31%	7%	4%	19%	9%
Unfavorable	20%	10%	18%	12%	20%	10%	12%
Very unfavorable	33%	44%	32%	24%	41%	41%	26%
Not sure	20%	28%	18%	56%	35%	29%	45%
Total N	599	79	67	16	8	16	12

	Age (p<0.001)			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50k**	**$50-$100k**	**Over $100k**
Very favorable	9%	2%	8%	5%	6%	3%
Favorable	16%	17%	25%	19%	19%	29%
Unfavorable	10%	18%	21%	16%	22%	16%
Very unfavorable	25%	35%	38%	33%	37%	37%
Not sure	39%	29%	8%	28%	16%	16%
Total N	119	327	351	364	219	108

STATE OF THE UNION POLICIES President Obama mentioned several policy issues in his State of the Union speech a few weeks ago. Please rank the five issues of most importance to you, with the most important issue at the top of the list, and the least important issue at the bottom of the list.

State of the Union Policy Ranking (* p<0.10, ** p<0.05)

Gender	1st		2nd		3rd		4th		5th		Not Ranked	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
Economy, Jobs	39%	31%	28%	30%	16%	15%	7%	9%	4%	6%	6%	8%
**National Debt, Deficit	19%	15%	25%	17%	10%	13%	6%	11%	12%	9%	28%	35%
*Healthcare	11%	18%	10%	16%	17%	14%	12%	14%	11%	9%	39%	28%
**Gun Control	7%	7%	4%	10%	8%	8%	6%	7%	9%	14%	66%	53%
**National Security	6%	8%	11%	4%	9%	9%	20%	11%	11%	17%	43%	51%
*Education	4%	10%	7%	9%	12%	19%	13%	12%	9%	10%	55%	40%
Immigration	5%	4%	4%	3%	10%	8%	7%	13%	16%	8%	59%	63%
Climate Change	3%	3%	3%	4%	5%	4%	6%	6%	10%	7%	72%	76%
**Voting Rights	2%	2%	5%	1%	2%	3%	6%	5%	3%	7%	82%	82%
Energy	1%	1%	2%	4%	10%	5%	16%	10%	13%	13%	59%	67%

State of the Union Policy Ranking (* p<0.10, ** p<0.05, *** p<0.001)

Party Identification	1st			2nd			3rd			4th			5th			Not Ranked		
	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind
Economy, Jobs	37%	35%	37%	25%	31%	29%	16%	17%	12%	6%	7%	12%	7%	5%	4%	8%	4%	7%
***Nat'l Debt…	7%	28%	20%	14%	27%	26%	9%	19%	10%	10%	9%	8%	15%	4%	10%	45%	13%	27%
*Healthcare	19%	14%	7%	14%	10%	13%	19%	14%	15%	14%	15%	11%	9%	9%	13%	25%	38%	40%
*Gun Control	9%	2%	9%	10%	10%	4%	9%	6%	8%	10%	5%	5%	14%	9%	10%	48%	68%	64%
***Nat'l Security	4%	11%	6%	4%	12%	8%	6%	18%	9%	11%	23%	16%	11%	15%	16%	64%	21%	45%
**Education	8%	1%	8%	14%	5%	5%	21%	8%	13%	14%	13%	10%	8%	14%	10%	35%	58%	54%
**Immigration	4%	6%	4%	3%	4%	4%	6%	7%	12%	5%	16%	13%	6%	21%	13%	75%	47%	55%
**Climate Change	4%	0%	4%	5%	0%	3%	4%	4%	7%	10%	2%	4%	9%	1%	11%	68%	93%	71%
**Voting Rights	3%	0%	3%	5%	0%	3%	4%	2%	2%	10%	1%	4%	10%	1%	4%	73%	92%	84%
***Energy	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	4%	5%	5%	11%	9%	9%	17%	14%	17%	9%	67%	68%	58%

State of the Union Policy Ranking (* p<0.10, ** p<0.05, *** p<0.001)

Ideology	1st			2nd			3rd			4th			5th			Not Ranked		
(Liberal, Moderate, Conservative)	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con
*Economy, Jobs	42%	38%	30%	23%	27%	32%	9%	15%	22%	8%	11%	7%	8%	6%	3%	10%	5%	6%
***Nat'l Debt…	6%	14%	29%	14%	16%	29%	8%	16%	12%	8%	11%	7%	9%	11%	12%	54%	32%	12%
*Healthcare	14%	14%	11%	12%	20%	8%	23%	15%	14%	15%	11%	14%	11%	11%	10%	26%	29%	43%
Gun Control	6%	9%	8%	13%	7%	6%	9%	6%	9%	9%	5%	6%	11%	12%	9%	52%	62%	61%
***Nat'l Security	4%	4%	10%	3%	8%	10%	2%	6%	19%	5%	18%	23%	12%	15%	14%	73%	50%	24%
**Education	8%	9%	5%	11%	10%	6%	22%	17%	6%	16%	12%	6%	7%	9%	15%	36%	43%	62%
**Immigration	4%	5%	5%	1%	2%	8%	8%	10%	7%	6%	7%	15%	9%	8%	17%	72%	67%	47%
***Clim. Change	7%	4%	0%	10%	2%	0%	7%	6%	2%	8%	9%	2%	8%	9%	4%	59%	71%	92%
**Voting Rights	5%	2%	0%	6%	4%	0%	4%	2%	3%	11%	5%	3%	4%	7%	2%	69%	80%	92%
Energy	2%	1%	1%	4%	5%	1%	6%	8%	6%	11%	11%	16%	18%	13%	11%	60%	63%	66%

State of the Union Policy Ranking (* p<0.10, ** p<0.05, *** p<0.001)

Race	1st			2nd			3rd			4th			5th			Not Ranked		
(White, Black, Hispanic)	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi
**Economy, Jobs	38%	31%	32%	28%	40%	30%	15%	4%	22%	9%	9%	2%	4%	8%	8%	6%	7%	5%
Nat'l Debt…	19%	5%	19%	22%	12%	22%	12%	5%	15%	9%	11%	9%	10%	16%	13%	29%	50%	23%
*Healthcare	15%	26%	6%	13%	14%	10%	15%	20%	18%	13%	20%	15%	10%	3%	15%	34%	18%	37%
**Gun Control	6%	7%	10%	7%	5%	13%	6%	20%	9%	6%	12%	4%	11%	17%	9%	64%	38%	55%
Nat'l Security	8%	9%	2%	9%	1%	6%	11%	11%	6%	13%	17%	30%	14%	16%	12%	45%	56%	44%
Education	6%	8%	7%	8%	15%	9%	14%	25%	21%	12%	10%	9%	9%	8%	14%	52%	34%	41%
Immigration	3%	6%	16%	3%	7%	3%	10%	12%	3%	11%	8%	4%	14%	5%	11%	59%	62%	64%
***Clim. Change	4%	0%	2%	3%	0%	3%	6%	3%	3%	6%	1%	12%	7%	14%	4%	75%	82%	76%
**Voting Rights	1%	6%	3%	4%	2%	0%	3%	4%	1%	6%	3%	3%	5%	8%	1%	81%	77%	92%
**Energy	1%	1%	2%	5%	2%	1%	8%	6%	1%	13%	8%	10%	15%	5%	12%	60%	78%	74%

MINIMUM WAGE – CURRENT Please indicate what you think the federal minimum wage rate is currently? If you are not sure, please just provide us with your best guess.

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Average	$7.71	$7.71	$7.71	$7.63	$7.51	$7.89	$7.65	$7.85	$7.62
N	721	334	387	281	188	217	211	198	268

	Region				Race						
	North -east	**Mid-west**	**South**	**West**	**White**	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Average	$8.54	$7.60	$7.51	$7.71	$7.68	$7.73	$7.96	$7.74	$7.29	$7.52	$7.92
Total N	90	181	257	193	554	67	56	14	6	14	10

	Age			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50k**	**$50-$100k**	**Over $100k**
Average	$7.61	$7.80	$7.67	$7.57	$7.69	$8.30
Total N	108	291	322	331	203	96

	Employment Status							
	Full-Time	**Part-Time**	**Laid Off - Temporary**	**Un-employed**	**Retired**	**Disabled**	**Homemaker**	**Student**
Average	$7.91	$7.94	$8.04	$7.60	$7.62	$7.24	$7.55	$7.49
Total N	253	89	6	56	144	65	58	41

MINIMUM WAGE – PREFERRED Please indicate what you think the federal minimum wage rate should be?

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	Men	Women	Dem.	Rep.	Ind.	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Average	$8.87	$8.63	$9.10	$9.48	$8.13	$8.72	$9.92	$9.20	$7.76
Total N	770	351	419	303	195	229	225	213	280

	Region				Race						
	North-east	Mid-west	South	West	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Mixed	Other
Average	$9.61	$8.83	$8.76	$8.76	$8.70	$9.45	$9.31	$8.76	$8.34	$10.15	$8.16
Total N	98	182	271	219	576	77	67	16	8	15	11

	Age			Income		
	18-29	30-54	55 or older	Under $50k	$50-$100k	Over $100k
Average	$8.82	$9.01	$9.75	$8.79	$8.73	$9.12
Total N	118	320	332	352	211	102

	Full-Time	Part-Time	Laid Off - Temporary	Un-employed	Retired	Disabled	Homemaker	Student
Average	$8.98	$9.06	$9.14	$8.75	$8.57	$9.39	$8.85	$8.42
Total N	272	91	6	69	149	70	57	46

IMMIGRATION – ILLEGAL 2012 Using your best guess, how many people do you think illegally immigrated to the United States in 2012?

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Average (in millions)	2.32	1.95	2.54	2.20	2.66	2.04	1.94	2.19	2.51
Total N	792	364	428	308	200	240	226	222	291

	Region				Race						
	North-east	**Mid-west**	**South**	**West**	**White**	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Average (in millions)	2.40	2.29	2.30	2.13	2.22	2.36	2.52	1.64	2.24	2.3	1.97
Total N	100	193	275	224	596	77	67	16	8	16	12

	Age			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50,000**	**$50,000-$100,000**	**Over $100,000**
Average (in millions)	1.97	2.21	2.44	2.36	2.21	1.98
Total N	115	328	349	362	220	107

	Border State	**Non-Border State**
Average (in millions)	2.17	2.30
Total N	232	560

IMMIGRATION – LEGAL 2012 Using your best guess, how many people do you think legally immigrated to the United States in 2012?

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Average (in millions)	1.72	1.50	1.91	1.83	1.85	1.54	1.72	1.72	1.72
Total N	778	358	420	304	198	233	222	217	288

	Region				Race						
	North-east	**Mid-west**	**South**	**West**	**White**	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Average (in millions)	1.77	1.65	1.73	1.73	1.57	2.07	2.10	1.84	2.09	2.15	1.34
Total N	96	187	273	222	587	74	67	16	8	15	11

	Age			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50,000**	**$50,000-$100,000**	**Over $100,000**
Average (in millions)	1.70	1.76	1.68	1.81	1.60	1.64
Total N	115	328	335	356	214	107

	Border State	**Non-Border State**
Average (in millions)	1.81	1.67
Total N	232	546

IMMIGRATION – LEGAL ANNUAL MAX How many legal immigrants (permanent residents) should be allowed to come to the US every year?

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Average (in millions)	1.71	1.73	1.69	1.97	1.29	1.69	1.94	1.68	1.57
Total N	779	359	419	302	198	237	222	218	287

	Region				Race						
	North -east	**Mid-west**	**South**	**West**	**White**	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Average (in millions)	2.01	1.68	1.73	1.59	1.54	2.25	2.00	2.00	2.27	1.70	1.83
Total N	99	188	272	221	586	76	66	16	8	16	12

	Age			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50,000**	**$50,000-$100,000**	**Over $100,000**
Average (in millions)	2.25	1.74	1.41	1.70	1.47	2.05
Total N	114	326	340	357	215	106

	Border State	**Non-Border State**
Average (in millions)	1.75	1.69
Total N	229	551

IMMIGRATION – SKILLED WORKERS There are currently limits on visas available to legal immigrants working in different industries. Would you increase, decrease, or not change the number of legal immigrants allowed into the U.S. in each industry?

Preference on Number of Legal Immigrants Allowed

Adults	Greatly Increase	Increase	Not change	Decrease	Greatly Decrease
Science, engineering, tech.	11%	31%	39%	12%	7%
Doctors, nurses	9%	33%	39%	13%	6%
Farming, construction, …	8%	25%	43%	17%	7%
Students	6%	24%	41%	19%	9%
Hospitality	4%	18%	49%	19%	9%

Preference on Number of Legal Immigrants Allowed (* p< 0.10, ** p<0.05)

Gender	Greatly increase		Increase		No Change		Decrease		Greatly Decrease	
	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women	Men	Women
**Science, Engineering, Tech.	18%	6%	33%	29%	30%	46%	12%	12%	8%	7%
Farming, Construction…	6%	9%	31%	18%	41%	46%	14%	20%	7%	7%
Doctors, Nurses	13%	6%	31%	35%	39%	40%	10%	15%	7%	5%
Hospitality, Restaurant…	5%	2%	17%	19%	47%	53%	20%	18%	10%	9%
*Students	8%	4%	30%	18%	34%	49%	19%	19%	9%	10%

Preference on Number of Legal Immigrants Allowed (* p<0.10)

Party Identification	Greatly increase			Increase			No Change			Decrease			Greatly Decrease		
	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind	Dem	Rep	Ind
*Science, Engineering, Tech.	14%	6%	13%	36%	27%	33%	36%	45%	36%	9%	12%	11%	5%	9%	8%
Farming, Construction…	8%	6%	11%	35%	13%	24%	43%	44%	40%	9%	25%	19%	5%	11%	6%
Doctors, Nurses	11%	3%	11%	35%	40%	39%	39%	34%	40%	9%	16%	16%	7%	7%	4%
Hospitality, Restaurant…	4%	1%	6%	18%	21%	17%	56%	44%	43%	17%	20%	23%	5%	15%	10%
Students	11%	1%	6%	28%	17%	23%	41%	43%	41%	13%	25%	23%	8%	14%	7%

Preference on Number of Legal Immigrants Allowed (* p<0.10, ** p<0.05)

Ideology (Liberal, Moderate, Conservative)	Greatly increase			Increase			No Change			Decrease			Greatly Decrease		
	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con	Lib	Mod	Con
Science, Engineering, Tech.	12%	14%	11%	39%	32%	24%	35%	38%	45%	10%	10%	11%	3%	6%	8%
**Farming, Construction…	9%	9%	7%	35%	33%	14%	43%	42%	41%	8%	11%	29%	5%	5%	9%
**Doctors, Nurses	18%	11%	2%	39%	32%	32%	29%	41%	39%	7%	11%	21%	6%	6%	6%
**Hospitality, Restaurant…	5%	6%	1%	27%	15%	15%	56%	45%	46%	6%	25%	25%	5%	10%	13%
*Students	9%	9%	3%	21%	26%	18%	44%	40%	39%	11%	17%	29%	4%	8%	11%

Preference on Number of Legal Immigrants Allowed (** p<0.05. ***p<0.001)

Race (White, Black, Hispanic)	Greatly increase			Increase			No Change			Decrease			Greatly Decrease		
	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi	Wh	Bl	Hi
**Science, Engineering, Tech.	11%	19%	4%	29%	22%	47%	38%	36%	48%	13%	16%	1%	8%	8%	0%
Farming, Construction…	7%	10%	10%	23%	26%	33%	41%	43%	49%	21%	12%	5%	8%	10%	2%
**Doctors, Nurses	8%	3%	17%	32%	33%	44%	39%	51%	34%	15%	8%	5%	6%	5%	0%
***Hospitality, Restaurant…	3%	3%	1%	16%	14%	30%	48%	67%	51%	21%	14%	19%	13%	2%	0%
Students	5%	9%	0%	24%	27%	17%	39%	48%	48%	21%	9%	22%	10%	7%	0%

RETIREMENT AGE Some people have suggested that the retirement age should be different depending on an individual's occupation. For each of the following occupations, indicate at what age you believe individuals should be allowed to retire and begin collecting full Social Security benefits?

Average Preferred Retirement Age by Occupation

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	Men	Women	Dem.	Rep.	Ind.	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Construction	62	63	62	61	64	63	60	62	62
Retail and sales	64	66	62	64	66	64	63	65	65
Office clerk	65	66	64	65	66	66	64	66	66
Teaching	64	65	63	63	63	64	64	64	64
Food prep./service	64	65	63	64	65	64	63	65	64
Nurses	62	63	61	62	63	62	62	63	63
Execs/managers	66	67	66	66	67	66	67	66	67

Average Preferred Retirement Age by Occupation

	Race			
	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian
Construction	63	58	61	62
Retail and sales	65	64	63	64
Office clerk	66	66	63	65
Teaching	64	61	64	66
Food prep./service	64	61	65	65
Nurses	63	62	61	63
Execs/managers	67	66	65	70

Average Preferred Retirement Age by Occupation

	Age			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50,000**	**$50,000-$100,000**	**Over $100,000**
Construction	60	62	63	61	63	66
Retail and sales	61	64	66	64	65	65
Office clerk	63	66	66	65	65	68
Teaching	63	64	64	64	64	65
Food prep./service	61	63	65	63	65	65
Nurses	60	61	64	62	63	63
Execs/managers	66	66	67	66	67	66

VOTING LINES ON ELECTION DAY On Election Day 2012, many Americans experienced long lines at their polling stations when attempting to vote. How important do you think it is that the federal government addresses this problem? [Respondents shown image of white voters in line, image of black voters in line, or no image]

Important of Addressing Poll Lines

Adults	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Somewhat Unimportant	Very Unimportant	Total N
Black Voters in Line	39%	31%	19%	11%	270
White Voters in Line	44%	28%	13%	15%	252
No Image	48%	28%	12%	12%	273

Important of Addressing Poll Lines (** p<0.05)

Race	Image	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Somewhat Unimportant	Very Unimportant	Total N
White	Black Voters in Line**	40%	25%	21%	14%	202
	White Voters in Line	37%	31%	15%	17%	199
	No Image	44%	25%	16%	15%	197
Black	Black Voters in Line**	41%	54%	6%	0%	31
	White Voters in Line	65%	31%	4%	0%	22
	No Image	48%	44%	0%	8%	25
Hispanic	Black Voters in Line**	43%	27%	21%	9%	20
	White Voters in Line	62%	11%	9%	18%	20
	No Image	69%	17%	8%	6%	27

Important of Addressing Poll Lines (* p<0.10)

Gender	Image	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Somewhat Unimportant	Very Unimportant	Total N
Men	Black Voters in Line	43%	28%	16%	13%	119
	White Voters in Line	40%	24%	14%	22%	114
	No Image*	54%	23%	8%	15%	133
Women	Black Voters in Line	36%	33%	21%	9%	151
	White Voters in Line	47%	31%	12%	9%	138
	No Image*	41%	35%	16%	8%	140

Important of Addressing Poll Lines (** p<0.05)

Party	Image	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Somewhat Unimportant	Very Unimportant	Total N
Dem.	Black Voters in Line**	51%	36%	10%	3%	114
	White Voters in Line**	69%	16%	10%	5%	88
	No Image**	59%	29%	5%	8%	108
Rep.	Black Voters in Line**	25%	33%	30%	13%	64
	White Voters in Line**	30%	29%	18%	23%	75
	No Image**	37%	30%	18%	14%	63
Ind.	Black Voters in Line**	36%	25%	15%	23%	70
	White Voters in Line**	39%	30%	11%	20%	80
	No Image**	44%	27%	13%	17%	91

Important of Addressing Poll Lines (** p<0.05, *** p<0.001)

Ideology	Image	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Somewhat Unimportant	Very Unimportant	Total N
Liberal	Black Voters in Line**	53%	29%	12%	6%	77
	White Voters in Line***	70%	19%	11%	0%	71
	No Image	72%	22%	5%	1%	81
Moderate	Black Voters in Line**	38%	36%	29%	4%	77
	White Voters in Line***	42%	44%	10%	4%	64
	No Image***	53%	29%	8%	10%	81
Conservative	Black Voters in Line**	29%	24%	23%	24%	96
	White Voters in Line***	38%	14%	17%	31%	103
	No Image***	28%	26%	20%	26%	94

VOTING RIGHTS ACT As you may know, the Voting Rights Act was passed in the 1960s to prevent state and local governments from using rules and procedures that prevented many blacks from voting. Do you think the Voting Rights Act is necessary today to make sure that blacks are allowed to vote, or do you think that the Voting Rights Act is no longer necessary?

		Gender (p<0.10)		Party Identification (p<0.001)			Ideology (p<0.001)		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Necessary Today	42%	46%	39%	64%	14%	42%	72%	50%	21%
No Longer Necessary	43%	44%	43%	26%	69%	45%	23%	36%	66%
No Opinion	14%	10%	18%	10%	17%	13%	6%	13%	13%
Total N	798	368	430	310	203	241	228	222	294

	Region				Race (p<0.05)						
	North -east	**Mid-west**	**South**	**West**	**White**	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Necessary Today	41%	43%	41%	45%	37%	71%	41%	33%	67%	51%	35%
No Longer Necessary	45%	42%	42%	45%	48%	15%	51%	67%	20%	25%	32%
No Opinion	14%	15%	17%	10%	14%	14%	8%	31%	13%	25%	33%
Total N	101	193	279	225	600	78	68	16	8	16	12

	Age (p<0.05)			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50,000**	**$50,000-$100,000**	**Over $100,000**
Necessary Today	46%	37%	47%	44%	36%	44%
No Longer Necessary	30%	48%	44%	39%	52%	47%
No Opinion	25%	15%	9%	17%	12%	9%
Total N	118	329	351	366	219	108

BLAME – PARTIES Who is more to blame for what has gone wrong in Washington?

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	Men	Women	Dem.	Rep.	Ind.	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Average Score	56	56	56	74	36	52	76	60	39
Total N	796	368	429	310	202	241	228	222	293

	Region				Race						
	North -east	Mid- west	South	West	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Mixed	Other
Average Score	56	54	55	59	52	74	61	59	56	66	46
Total N	101	193	278	225	599	78	68	16	8	16	12

	Age			Income		
	18-29	30-54	55 or older	Under $50,000	$50,000- $100,000	Over $100,000
Average Score	56	57	56	58	55	54
Total N	118	328	351	365	219	108

	Employment Status							
	Full-Time	Part-Time	Laid Off - Temporary	Un- employed	Retired	Disabled	Homemaker	Student
Average Score	54	54	80	58	56	63	52	57
Total N	280	92	6	71	155	76	61	46

BLAME – CONGRESS/PRESIDENT Who is more to blame for what has gone wrong in Washington?

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	**Men**	**Women**	**Dem.**	**Rep.**	**Ind.**	**Liberal**	**Moderate**	**Conservative**
Average Score	42	39	44	25	60	48	26	40	52
Total N	391	182	209	150	100	117	105	113	149

	Region				Race						
	North-east	**Mid-west**	**South**	**West**	**White**	**Black**	**Hispanic**	**Asian**	**Native American**	**Mixed**	**Other**
Average Score	43	43	42	40	44	24	49	43	26	40	68
Total N	47	96	139	109	292	46	32	6	2	6	7

	Age			Income		
	18-29	**30-54**	**55 or older**	**Under $50,000**	**$50,000-$100,000**	**Over $100,000**
Average Score	38	41	43	40	42	42
Total N	49	171	171	172	123	39

	Employment Status							
	Full-Time	**Part-Time**	**Laid Off - Temporary**	**Un-employed**	**Retired**	**Disabled**	**Homemaker**	**Student**
Average Score	46	43	43	34	43	38	45	31
Total N	141	45	3	31	74	40	30	21

BLAME – BOEHNER/OBAMA Who is more to blame for what has gone wrong in Washington?

		Gender		Party Identification			Ideology		
	Adults	Men	Women	Dem.	Rep.	Ind.	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Average Score	47	46	48	31	69	50	24	43	68
Total N	403	182	209	150	100	117	105	113	149

	Region				Race						
	North-east	Mid-west	South	West	White	Black	Hispanic	Asian	Native American	Mixed	Other
Average Score	44	51	48	44	52	28	36	44	64	33	45
Total N	47	96	139	109	292	46	32	6	2	6	7

	Age			Income		
	18-29	30-54	55 or older	Under $50,000	$50,000-$100,000	Over $100,000
Average Score	46	45	49	44	50	51
Total N	49	171	171	172	123	39

	Full-Time	Part-Time	Laid Off - Temporary	Un-employed	Retired	Disabled	Homemaker	Student
Average Score	48	48	22	46	53	37	50	46
Total N	141	45	3	31	74	40	30	21

GUN CONTROL In the current debate on gun control, some lawmakers favor limiting the manufacture and sale of certain types of firearms. Would you support or oppose banning sales of semi-automatic assault weapons [like the one pictured] to individuals? [half of respondents – randomly assigned – shown image of AR-15 rifle, other half received no image]

Support for Assault Weapon Ban

Image Shown	Strongly Support Ban	Support Ban	Neither Support Nor Oppose Ban	Oppose Ban	Strongly Oppose Ban	Total N
AR-15	39%	18%	14%	8%	21%	425
No Image	34%	17%	17%	14%	19%	368

Support for Assault Weapon Ban (** p<0.05)

Gender	Image	Strongly Support Ban	Support Ban	Neither Support Nor Oppose Ban	Oppose Ban	Strongly Oppose Ban	Total N
Men	AR-15**	32%	18%	10%	10%	30%	196
	No Image**	37%	15%	8%	13%	27%	229
Women	AR-15**	45%	17%	18%	6%	13%	169
	No Image**	31%	18%	24%	16%	11%	199

Support for Assault Weapon Ban (*** p<0.001)

Party	Image	Strongly Support Ban	Support Ban	Neither Support Nor Oppose Ban	Oppose Ban	Strongly Oppose Ban	Total N
Dem.	AR-15***	57%	23%	9%	4%	8%	169
	No Image***	52%	23%	14%	6%	5%	141
Rep.	AR-15***	26%	11%	9%	20%	34%	106
	No Image***	20%	8%	16%	34%	23%	96
Ind.	AR-15***	31%	12%	19%	7%	31%	122
	No Image***	27%	17%	14%	10%	32%	116

Support for Assault Weapon Ban (*** p<0.001)

Ideology	Image	Strongly Support Ban	Support Ban	Neither Support Nor Oppose Ban	Oppose Ban	Strongly Oppose Ban	Total N
Liberal	AR-15***	67%	19%	10%	3%	2%	121
	No Image***	52%	34%	4%	9%	1%	106
Moderate	AR-15***	45%	22%	9%	10%	14%	120
	No Image***	37%	11%	19%	10%	23%	101
Conservative	AR-15***	15%	14%	13%	12%	47%	152
	No Image***	19%	11%	20%	24%	26%	140

Support for Assault Weapon Ban (* p<0.10, ** p<0.05)

Race	Image	Strongly Support Ban	Support Ban	Neither Support Nor Oppose Ban	Oppose Ban	Strongly Oppose Ban	Total N
White	AR-15*	38%	16%	13%	10%	23%	326
	No Image**	33%	13%	13%	18%	23%	272
Black	AR-15*	50%	24%	18%	4%	3%	41
	No Image**	52%	15%	28%	2%	4%	35
Hispanic	AR-15*	37%	24%	9%	8%	22%	32
	No Image**	25%	38%	18%	12%	7%	35
Asian	AR-15*	45%	14%	40%	0%	0%	11
	No Image**	63%	19%	0%	19%	0%	5