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1. Generally speaking, would you say things in the country are headed in the right direction, or are things seriously headed off on the wrong track?

|  | OCT II | NOV | DEC | JAN |  |
| :--- | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2012 |  |
| 1. | Right Direction | $\mathbf{2 2}$ | $\mathbf{2 0}$ | $\mathbf{3 0}$ | $\mathbf{2 7}$ |
| 2. | Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| READ) | $\mathbf{7 0}$ | $\mathbf{7 1}$ | $\mathbf{6 4}$ | $\mathbf{6 5}$ |  |
| 3. Wrong Track |  |  |  |  |  |

2. Overall would you say that you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as President?

|  | OCT II | NOV | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2012 |  |
| 1. Approve | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |
| 2. Don't know/refused | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| 3. Disapprove | $\mathbf{5 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 0}$ | $\mathbf{5 2}$ |

Please tell me for each of the following whether you have a favorable or an unfavorable impression of that group or person. (IF CHOICE IS MADE, ASK:) Would you say you have a strongly (FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE) impression or just a somewhat (FAVORABLE/UNFAVORABLE) impression? (ROTATE)

|  |  |  | NAME ID | FAVORABLE | UNFAVORABLE | NO OPINION |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | Republicans in Congress | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OCT II } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | 100 | 40 | 53 | 6 |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NOV } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | 100 | 37 | 57 | 5 |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DEC } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | 100 | 29 | 64 | 7 |
|  |  | JAN | 100 | 29 | 65 | 6 |
| 4. | Democrats in Congress | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OCT II } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | 100 | 40 | 55 | 5 |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NOV } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | 100 | 35 | 58 | 6 |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DEC } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | 100 | 38 | 57 | 5 |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JAN } \\ & 2012 \end{aligned}$ | 100 | 35 | 58 | 7 |

5. Which of the following issues would you say is most important to you in deciding how to vote for Congress? (ROTATE)

|  | OCT II | NOV | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2012 |
| 1. Education | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| 2. Social Security | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ |
| 3. Retirement and Investments | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 4. Terrorism | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | * |
| 5. Healthcare/Rx | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{8}$ | $\mathbf{7}$ |
| 6. The Economy | $\mathbf{3 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 5}$ | $\mathbf{3 7}$ | $\mathbf{3 4}$ |
| 7. Jobs | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 6}$ | $\mathbf{1 3}$ | $\mathbf{1 5}$ |
| 8. Taxes | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 9. Crime and Safety | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 10. Environment | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 11. National Defense/Foreign Affairs/lraq | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ |
| 12. National Deficit/Spending | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ |
| 13. Energy | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 14. Gas prices | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | * | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 15. Immigration | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 16. Other | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| 17. Don't know/Refused | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |

Which party do you have more confidence in to handle the issue of (ROTATE LIST BELOW), (ROTATE) the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?

|  |  | REP | DEM |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 6. The Economy | OCT II 2011 | 45 | 41 |
|  | NOV 2011 | 45 | 42 |
|  | DEC 2011 | 44 | 41 |
|  | JAN 2012 | 45 | 42 |
| 7. Jobs | OCT II 2011 | 45 | 42 |
|  | NOV 2011 | 42 | 43 |
|  | DEC 2011 | 45 | 42 |
|  | JAN 2012 | 44 | 42 |
| 8. Health Care/RX | OCT II 2011 | 41 | 47 |
|  | NOV 2011 | 38 | 50 |
|  | DEC 2011 | 38 | 46 |
|  | JAN 2012 | 37 | 49 |
| 9. Energy and gas prices | OCT II 2011 | 45 | 41 |
|  | NOV 2011 | 41 | 41 |
|  | DEC 2011 | 43 | 40 |
|  | JAN 2012 | 40 | 43 |
| 10. Taxes | OCT II 2011 | 46 | 42 |
|  | NOV 2011 | 45 | 44 |
|  | DEC 2011 | 46 | 42 |
|  | JAN 2012 | 45 | 43 |

(ROTATE 11-13 and 14-16)
11. In the last couple of weeks, have you seen, read or heard anything that Congressional Republicans were doing? (ROTATE)

|  | OCTII | NOV | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Yes (GO TO Q12) | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 5}$ |
| 2. | No (GO TO Q14) | $\mathbf{5 8}$ | $\mathbf{6 0}$ | $\mathbf{5 1}$ |
| 3. | DK/Refused (DO NOT READ - GO TO Q14) | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{1}$ | $\mathbf{5 8}$ |

12. What was it?

|  |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. | Jobs | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| 2. | Economy (general) | $\mathbf{4}$ |
| 3. | Taxes | $\mathbf{1 5}$ |
| 4. | Budget/deficit/debt/spending | $\mathbf{1 6}$ |
| 5. | Supercommittee | * |


| 6. For the rich/Wall St. | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| :--- | :---: |
| 7. Boehner | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 8. Health care | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| 9. Social Security/Entitlements | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 10. Campaign/election/debate | $\mathbf{1 3}$ |
| 11. Negative/opposing/blocking | $\mathbf{2 1}$ |
| 12. rrying to do thing | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 13. Tea Party | * |
| 14. Immigration | * |
| 15. National defense authorization act/NDAA | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 16. Stop Online Piracy Act/SOPA/Internet | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| 17. Doing a good job/helping people | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 18. Pipeline from Canada | $\mathbf{7}$ |
| 19. Energy/gas prices | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| 20. Doing nothing/poor job/not helping people | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| 21. Other | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| 22. DK/None | $\mathbf{1 1}$ |

13. Did it make you more favorable or less favorable to Congressional Republicans? (ROTATE)

|  | OCT II | NOV | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2012 |
| 1. | More favorable | $\mathbf{3 7}$ | $\mathbf{3 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 1}$ | $\mathbf{3 1}$| 2. | Less favorable | $\mathbf{5 1}$ | $\mathbf{6 1}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $\mathbf{6 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 4}$ |  |  |
| 3. | No difference (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ |  |

14. In the last couple of weeks, have you seen, read or heard anything that Congressional Democrats were doing? (ROTATE)

|  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { OCT II } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { NOV } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { DEC } \\ & 2011 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{aligned} & \text { JAN } \\ & 2012 \end{aligned}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 1. Yes (GO TO Q15) | 38 | 37 | 41 | 35 |
| 2. No (GO TO Q17) | 60 | 61 | 58 | 63 |
| 3. DK/Refused (DO NOT READ - GO TO Q17) | 2 | 2 | 1 | 2 |


| 1. Jobs | 10 |
| :---: | :---: |
| 2. Economy (general) | 5 |
| 3. Taxes/Raise taxes on the wealthy/revenue | 16 |
| 4. Budget/deficit/debt/spending | 9 |
| 5. Wall St/occupy | * |
| 6. Health care | 8 |
| 7. Social Security/entitlements | 2 |
| 8. Campaign/election | 3 |
| 9. Negative/opposing/blocking | 17 |
| 10. Trying to do things | 20 |
| 11. Immigration | * |
| 12. Education/loans | 2 |
| 13. What President Obama is trying to do | 7 |
| 14. National Defense Authorization Act/NDAA | 2 |
| 15. They are on leave/vacation | 3 |
| 16. About the pipeline from Canada | 5 |
| 17. About Harry Reid | 2 |
| 18. Internet Piracy/SOPA/Internet issues | 7 |
| 19. Bring the troops/soliders home | 1 |
| 20. Tea Party | 1 |
| 21. Resizing the government | 1 |
| 22. Energy/getting energy (oil, gas) | 1 |
| 23. Other | 4 |
| 24. DK/None | 16 |

16. Did it make you more favorable or less favorable to Congressional Democrats? (ROTATE)

|  | OCT II | NOV | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2012 |  |
| 1. More favorable | $\mathbf{4 7}$ | $\mathbf{3 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{3 2}$ |
| 2. Less favorable | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{5 4}$ | $\mathbf{4 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 3}$ |
| 3. No difference (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{7}$ | $\mathbf{1 0}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |

## RESUME WITH ALL

17. If the elections were held today for US Congress in your state, would you be more likely to vote for (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democrat candidate? (IF UNDECIDED ASK:) would you be leaning toward (ROTATE) the Republican candidate or the Democrat candidate?

|  | OCT II | NOV | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2012 |
| 1. Republican | $\mathbf{4 6}$ | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 2}$ |
| 2. Lean Republican | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 3. Undecided | $\mathbf{6}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ |
| 4. Lean Democrat | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 5. Democrat | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 5}$ |
| 6. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ | $\mathbf{3}$ |
| TOTAL REPUBLICAN | $\mathbf{4 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 6}$ | $\mathbf{4 4}$ |
| TOTAL DEMOCRAT | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 7}$ |

## JOBS/ECONOMY

18. Who is more focused on job creation and growing the economy? (ROTATE)

|  | OCTII | NOV | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | ---: | ---: | ---: | ---: |
|  | 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2012 |
| 1. President Obama | $\mathbf{4 5}$ | $\mathbf{4 8}$ | $\mathbf{4 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 6}$ |
| 2. Republicans in Congress | $\mathbf{4 3}$ | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 2}$ |
| 3. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ | $\mathbf{1 1}$ | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |

19. Do you believe or not believe the following statement: the economy is getting better.
20. Believe
43
21. Do not believe 54
22. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 3

I am going to read a series of statements. For each please tell me if you believe or do not believe that statement. (ROTATE STATEMENTS Q20-25)
20. Republicans have a plan for growing the economy and creating jobs.

|  | OCT II | NOV | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2011 | 2011 | 2011 | 2012 |
| 1. Believe | $\mathbf{4 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 0}$ | $\mathbf{4 9}$ | $\mathbf{4 3}$ |
| 2. Do not believe | $\mathbf{4 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 7}$ | $\mathbf{4 6}$ | $\mathbf{5 1}$ |
| 3. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |

21. President Obama has a plan for growing the economy and creating jobs.

|  | FEB | JAN |
| :--- | ---: | :---: |
| 1. Believe | 2011 | 2012 |
| 2. Do not believe | $\mathbf{5 7}$ | $\mathbf{5 0}$ |
| 3. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{4 1}$ | $\mathbf{4 7}$ |

22. Republicans in Congress do not have to offer any alternatives because the presidential election will be about President Obama's record.
23. Believe 40
24. Do not believe 54
25. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 6
26. If Congress cuts spending, this will create a better economic environment that will help promote job creation.

|  | JAN | AUG | JAN |
| :--- | ---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | 2010 | 2011 | 2012 |
| 1. Believe | $\mathbf{5 8}$ | $\mathbf{5 2}$ | $\mathbf{5 5}$ |
| 2. Do not believe | $\mathbf{3 8}$ | $\mathbf{3 9}$ | $\mathbf{3 9}$ |
| 3. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{4}$ | $\mathbf{9}$ | $\mathbf{6}$ |

24. Increasing government spending will generate economic growth.

|  | DEC | JAN |
| :--- | ---: | :---: |
| 1. Believe | 2008 | 2012 |
| 2. Do not believe | $\mathbf{4 2}$ | $\mathbf{3 0}$ |
| 3. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{5 2}$ | $\mathbf{6 6}$ |

25. Increasing debt will hurt the economy.
26. Believe ..... 76
27. Do not believe ..... 19
28. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 5
29. In thinking about this year's election, which is the more important question in that election? (ROTATE)
30. Where are the jobs? ..... 58
31. What should be the size and role of government? ..... 37
32. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 5
33. Do you think that Congress is or is not doing enough to help create jobs?

|  |  |
| :--- | :---: |
| 1. Is | $\mathbf{1 0}$ |
| 2. Is not | $\mathbf{8 4}$ |
| 3. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{6}$ |

28. Do you believe or not believe the following statement: Democrats in the Senate will not vote on 27 jobs bills that have been passed in the House of Representatives.
29. Believe 40
30. Do not believe 40
31. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 20

Now just a few demographic questions for statistical purposes only-

## 29. What are the two main sources of your news about national issues such as politics, Iraq, the economy, education, and health care? (DO NOT READ - ALLOW THEM TO VOLUNTEER A RESPONSE AND CODE AS FOLLOWS)

1. ABC News 7
2. NBC News 7
3. CBS News 5
4. Local TV news 19
5. CNN News $\mathbf{1 7}$
6. MSNBC/CNBC News 6
7. Fox News 18
8. CSpan 1
9. Daily newspaper 30
10. News magazines such as Time, US News, and Newsweek 4
11. Opinion magazines like The Weekly Standard *
12. Websites of news organizations such as cnn.com, $\quad 19$ msnbc.com, nytimes.com, and TV station websites
13. News Pages of Internet Service Providers such as Yahoo 13 News and MSN News 2
14. National Public Radio 7
15. Religious radio shows *
16. Talk radio like Rush Limbaugh 3
17. General radio news station 4
18. Public television shows like McNeil Lehrer *
19. Comedy shows like the Daily Show with Jon Stewart *
20. Late night TV shows like Jay Leno *
21. Morning TV shows like Today, Good Morning America *
22. Political talk shows on cable, such as MSNBC's Hardball *
23. Sunday News Shows such as NBC's Meet the Press and *
ABC's This Week ABC's This Week
24. Other 14
25. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) 4
26. In what year were you born?

| 1. | $18-34$ | $\mathbf{5}$ |
| :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 2. | $35-44$ | $\mathbf{1 5}$ |
| 3. | $45-54$ | $\mathbf{2 5}$ |
| 4. | $55-64$ | $\mathbf{1 9}$ |
| 5. | $65+$ | $\mathbf{1 9}$ |

31. Generally speaking, do you consider yourself (ROTATE) a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?
32. Republican ..... 35
33. Democrat ..... 37
34. Independent ..... 26
35. Other ..... 1
36. Don't Know/Refused ..... 1
37. If you had to classify yourself, would you say you are (ROTATE) liberal, moderate, or conservative in your political beliefs?
38. Liberal (GO TO Q32A) ..... 20
39. Moderate (GO TO Q33) ..... 41
40. Conservative (GO TO Q32A) ..... 38
41. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ - GO TO Q33) ..... 1
Q32a among liberals and conservatives in Q32 only
32A. Would that be very (LIBERAL/CONSERVATIVE) or somewhat (LIBERAL/CONSERVATIVE)?
42. Very liberal ..... 10
43. Somewhat liberal ..... 24
44. Very conservative ..... 28
45. Somewhat conservative ..... 36
46. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 2

## RESUME WITH ALL

33. Are there children in your household under the age of 18 years old?
34. Yes ..... 39
35. No ..... 60
36. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 1
37. What is your current marital status?
38. Single, never married ..... 18
39. Married ..... 64
40. Separated ..... *
41. Divorced ..... 10
42. Widowed ..... 7
43. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 1
44. What is the annual income of your household before taxes? Is it...
45. Less than 15 K ..... 9
46. $15 \mathrm{~K}-30 \mathrm{~K}$ ..... 13
47. 30K-50K ..... 16
48. $50 \mathrm{~K}-75 \mathrm{~K}$ ..... 15
49. $75 \mathrm{~K}-100 \mathrm{~K}$ ..... 13
50. Over 100K ..... 21
51. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 13
52. What is your religion?
53. Evangelical/Fundamentalist Protestant ..... 16
54. Mainline Protestant ..... 17
55. Catholic ..... 22
56. Jewish ..... 2
57. Mormon ..... 2
58. Atheist/Agnostic ..... 7
59. Other ..... 25
60. Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) ..... 8
61. What is your race?

| 1. | Hispanic | $\mathbf{8}$ |
| :---: | :--- | :---: |
| 2. | African-American | $\mathbf{1 2}$ |
| 3. | Asian | $\mathbf{1}$ |
| 4. | White | $\mathbf{7 6}$ |
| 5. | Other | $\mathbf{2}$ |
| 6. | Don't Know/Refused (DO NOT READ) | $\mathbf{1}$ |

38. Do you consider yourself a part of the tea party movement?
39. Yes13
40. No 83

What type of area do you live in? (TAKEN FROM SAMPLE OF LANDLINE)


## Region (TAKEN FROM SAMPLE)

| 1. Northeast | 20 |
| :--- | :--- |
| 2. South | 26 |
| 3. Midwest | 20 |
| 4. Plains/Mountains | 19 |
| 5. West Coast | 16 |

