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Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?
*  name = Q1  text =

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?
*  name = Q2  text =

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the economy?
*  name = Q3  text =

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation with Iraq?
*  name = Q4  text =

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?
*  name = Q5  text =

Do you think Barack Obama is trying to work with Republicans in Congress in order to get things done, or isn't he?
*  name = Q6  text =

Do you think Republicans in Congress are trying to work with Barack Obama in order to get things done, or aren't they?
*  name = Q7  text =

Do you think Democrats in Congress are trying to work with the Republicans in Congress in order to get things done, or aren't they?
*  name = Q8  text =

How would you rate the condition of the national economy these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad, or very bad?
*  name = Q9  text =

Do you think the economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?
*  name = Q10  text =

What do you think is the most important economic problem facing this country today?
How long do you think the current recession will last --- six months, a year, two years or more than two years?

Beside the economy, which of these domestic policy areas do you want the president and Congress to concentrate on MOST right now -- health care, global warming, education, or Social Security?

Which of these foreign policy areas do you want the president and Congress to concentrate on MOST right now -- Iraq, Afghanistan, Iran, or North Korea?

Is your opinion of Michelle Obama favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Michelle Obama yet to have an opinion?

Are you generally optimistic or pessimistic about the next four years with Barack Obama as president?

Do you think Barack Obama has the same priorities for the country as you have, or doesn't he?

How much do you think Barack Obama cares about the needs and problems of people like yourself -- a lot, some, not much, or not at all?

So far, do you think Barack Obama is trying to bring about real change in the way things are done in Washington, or isn't he doing that?

How confident are you in Barack Obama's ability to make the right decisions about putting together his Cabinet -- very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

How confident are you in Barack Obama's ability to make the right decisions about the economy -- very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?
*name = Q27
text =
In response to the current economic crisis, do you think the president and Congress have moved too slowly, too quickly, or at about the right pace?
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name = Q28
text =
From what you've seen or heard, do you think you have been able to get a good understanding of Barack Obama's economic plans, or not?
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name = Q29
text =
How long do you think it will take the Obama Administration to make real progress on fixing the nation's economy -- one year, two years, three to four years, more than four years, or won't they be able to?
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name = Q30
text =
Congress passed and President Obama signed a stimulus package designed to get the economy moving again. How much have you heard or read about the stimulus package -- a lot, some, not much or nothing at all?
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name = Q31
text =
From what you know, what impact will the stimulus package have on the current economic crisis -- will it make things better, make things worse, or will it have no impact?
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name = Q32
text =
In general, the stimulus package provides tax cuts for individuals and businesses, extends unemployment benefits and tries to create jobs by spending money on technology and infrastructure programs like building highways. From what you know, do you think the package is large enough to stimulate the economy or will more money be needed in the months ahead to stimulate the economy?
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name = Q33
text =
From what you know so far, do you think the economic stimulus package will create a substantial number of new jobs, or won't it create a substantial number of new jobs, or don't you know enough yet to say?
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name = Q34
text =
From what you know so far, what do you think about the number of tax cuts for businesses and individuals included in the economic stimulus package -- are there too many tax cuts, too few tax cuts, about the right amount of tax cuts, or don't you know enough yet to say?
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name = Q35
text =
From what you know so far, what do you think about the government spending on technology and infrastructure projects included in the economic stimulus package -- is there too much spending on technology and infrastructure projects, too little spending on technology and infrastructure projects, about the right amount of spending on technology and infrastructure projects, or don't you know enough yet to say?

* name = Q42
text =

Do you think the economic stimulus bill recently passed by Congress and signed by the president will shorten the length of the current recession, or not? [IF YES:] Will the economic stimulus bill shorten the recession significantly, or not?

* name = Q43
text =

In your opinion, which will do MORE to protect or create jobs: increased government spending on infrastructure, health care, education and other fields, OR tax cuts that would put more money in the hands of individuals and businesses?

* name = Q44
text =

Most Republican members of Congress opposed the stimulus package. Do you think they opposed it mostly because they thought it would be bad for the economy or mostly for political reasons?

* name = Q45
text =

As you may know, members of Congress sometimes add provisions to legislation that include government spending projects for their own home states and districts, sometimes known as "earmarks" or "pork. Do you think the economic stimulus package passed by Congress contains more "earmarks" or "pork typical in legislation, less, about the same amount, or don't you know enough to say?

* name = Q48
text =

Which do you think should be a higher priority for Barack Obama right now -- working in a bipartisan way with Republicans in Congress or sticking to the policies he promised during the campaign?

* name = Q49
text =

Which do you think should be a higher priority for Republicans in Congress right now -- working in a bipartisan way with Barack Obama and the Democrats in Congress or sticking to Republican policies?

* name = Q50
text =

The federal government is providing money to banks and other financial institutions to try to help fix the country's economic problems. How much have you heard or read about this -- a lot, some, not much or nothing at all?

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name =  Q51
text =  Do you approve or disapprove of the federal government providing money to banks and other financial institutions to try to help fix the country's economic problems?  *

name =  Q53
text =  Do you think the Obama administration's proposals to help the banking system will mostly benefit all Americans by addressing a big economic problem, or will it only benefit bankers?  *

name =  Q54
text =  Do you think the Obama administration's economic plans would give the federal government too much control over banks and financial institutions, OR not enough control over banks and financial institutions, OR the right amount of control over banks and financial institutions?  *

name =  Q55
text =  When it comes to the companies that are receiving financial assistance from the government, do you think the federal government should or should not put a limit on the amount of money that senior executives at those companies can earn?  *

name =  Q56
text =  The federal government has given some of the major U.S. auto companies more than $13 billion dollars in loans to prevent them from going into bankruptcy. Some of those auto companies now say they need more money. Should the federal government give them additional financial assistance, or not?  *

name =  Q57
text =  The Obama administration has a plan to help homeowners refinance their mortgages, avoid foreclosure, and make more credit available for mortgages. Do you think the federal government should provide this financial help to homeowners, or shouldn't the federal government do this, or don't you know enough yet to say?  *

name =  Q59
text =  The national debt is the total amount of money the government owes individuals, banks and other countries. How concerned are you that increasing the national debt will create hardships for future generations of Americans -- very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, or not concerned at all?  *

name =  Q60
text =
Would you say right now that you are more concerned about dealing with the current economic crisis or more concerned about increasing the national debt?

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name = Q61 
text =
Thinking about the banks and financial institutions that are receiving financial assistance from the government, how much confidence do you have that the money they receive is being used in a way that will help improve the national economy -- a lot of confidence, some confidence, not much confidence, or no confidence at all?

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name = Q62 
text =
Which comes closer to your view about the Obama administration's proposal to address the housing crisis: 1. I am mostly relieved that steps are being taken to help people facing foreclosure or 2. I am mostly resentful that the plan could help homeowners who may have taken out mortgages they weren't certain they could pay, or 3. I haven't heard enough about the proposal to say?

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name = Q64 
text =
How would you say things are going for the U.S. in its efforts to bring stability and order to Iraq? Would you say things are going very well, somewhat well, somewhat badly, or very badly?

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name = Q65 
text =
How important is it to you that the United States withdraw most U.S. combat troops from Iraq within 16 months -- very important, somewhat important, not too important or not important at all?

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name = Q66 
text =
From what you have seen or heard about the situation in Afghanistan, what should the United States do now -- should the U.S. increase the number of U.S. troops in Afghanistan, keep the same number of U.S. troops in Afghanistan as there are now or decrease the number of troops in Afghanistan?

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name = Q67 
text =
Thinking about Iran, which comes closer to your opinion -- Iran is a threat to the United States that requires military action now, Iran is a threat that can be contained with diplomacy now, or Iran is not a threat to the United States at this time?

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name = Q68 
text =
Do you think the public should or should not be allowed to see pictures of the military honor guard receiving caskets of soldiers killed in Iraq as they are returned to the United States?
Do you want Congress to hold hearings to investigate whether the Bush Administration's treatment of detainees, the use of wiretaps and other Justice Department practices broke the law, or don't you think that is necessary?

Some Democratic members of Congress are in favor of holding hearings to investigate the Bush Administration. Do you think the Democrats want to investigate the Bush Administration mostly because they think the law was broken or mostly for political reasons?

How would you rate the financial situation in your household these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad, or very bad?

Think about your household income, would you say that it is more than enough so that you can save money or buy some extras, just enough to meet your bills and obligations, or is it not enough to meet your bills and obligations?

How concerned are you that in the next 12 months you or someone else in your household might be out of work and looking for a job -- very concerned, somewhat concerned, or not concerned at all?

Are you currently employed, or are you temporarily out of work, or are you not in the market for work at all? [IF NOT IN MARKET FOR WORK, ASK:] Are you currently retired, or not?

In total, about how long do you expect to be out of work -- six months or less, a year, two years or more than two years?

How confident are you that you will be able to find a job earning at least the same salary you were making in your last job -- very confident, somewhat confident, not very confident, or not at all confident?

In the past couple of years would you say you have felt MORE secure and confident that you can continue in your job as long as you want, or LESS secure and confident, or has there been NO change?
If you receive money from a tax cut, will you spend it, or use it to pay bills, save it, or invest it?

President Obama's Address to Congress is scheduled to take place on Tuesday evening, February 24th. How likely is it you will watch the President's address Tuesday evening, February 24th -- very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely or not at all likely?

How interested are you in watching or following major league baseball -- very interested, somewhat interested, or not interested at all?

Which current major league baseball player is your favorite?

Is your opinion of Alex Rodriguez favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Alex Rodriguez yet to have an opinion?

From what you know so far, do you think Alex Rodriguez should or should not be eligible for the Baseball Hall of Fame?

How many major league baseball players do you think use steroids to enhance their athletic performance -- most of them, about half of them, about a quarter of them, or only a few of them?

How much does it matter to you as a baseball fan if professional baseball players use steroids or other performance-enhancing drugs? Do you care a lot, a little or not at all?

If it is proven that an athlete used steroids at the time he or she set a major record in a sport, what do you think should happen to that record? 1. It should be eliminated from the record books, or 2. It should be kept in the record books, but with a note that the athlete used steroids when it was set, OR 3. It should be kept in the record books like any other record?
These last few questions are for background only. If you were asked to use one of these five names for your social class, which would you say you belong in -- upper class, upper-middle class, middle class, working class, or lower class?

* name = VT08
text = Did you vote in the 2008 presidential election, did something prevent you from voting, or did you choose not to vote? [IF VOTED, ASK:] Did you vote for Barack Obama, John McCain, or someone else?

* name = REG
text = Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you registered to vote in the precinct or election district where you now live, or aren't you?

* name = Q92
text = Do you currently rent your home, or are you buying it with a mortgage, or is it entirely paid for?

* name = EVAN
text = Some people think of themselves as evangelical or born-again Christians. Do you ever think of yourself in either of these ways?

* name = RELI
text = What is your religious preference today?

* name = MARR
text = Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

* name = PRTY
text = Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

* name = PPHL
text = How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally do you think of yourself as liberal, moderate, or conservative?

* name = AGE
text = How old are you?

* name = AGEA
text = Are you between 18 and 29, 30 and 44, 45 and 64, or are you over 64?
What was the last grade in school you completed?

Did you complete the degree?

Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, or not?

Are you White, Black, Asian, or some other race?

Was it under $15,000, between $15,000 and $30,000, or between $30,000 and $50,000?

Was your total family income in the year 2008 UNDER or OVER $30,000? Was it under or over $15,000?

What type of telephone service is there in your home that you could use or be reached on? Is there both regular land line and cell phone service, or only regular land line service, or only cell phone service?

Have we been talking on a cell phone, that is, a phone you can use outside your neighborhood?

Just for statistical purposes, what is the zip code where you now live?

(ASKED ONLY OF HOUSEHOLDS WITH BOTH LANDLINE AND CELL PHONES) We're trying to understand how people use their cell phones. Compared to that regular phone line, would you say you use this cell phone for more of your calls, or do you use the cell and the regular phone line about equally, or do you use this cell for fewer calls than your regular phone line?
Are there any other telephone numbers in your home that I could have
dialed and reached you on I don't mean extensions, but different
telephone numbers? [IF NECESSARY, SAY:] We need to know how hard or easy it
is to reach people.

* name = NPH0
text =
Now I dialed you at (PHONE NUMBER), how many other numbers are there in
your home?

* name = NM
text =
Would you be willing to have a reporter call you back to discuss some of
these issues?

* name = WEB
text =
Would you be willing to speak with a reporter on camera for use on "The
New York Times" website?

* name = DYOF
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name = DAYS
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name = ORST
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