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1 Male
2 Female
9 DK/NA

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1 Caucasian
2 African-American
3 Hispanic
4 Other
9 DK/NA

* name = fdia
label = First Dial Result
text = Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?
Do you feel things in this country are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?
Regardless of your overall opinion of Barack Obama, what do you like **BEST** about what he has done so far as President?

*name = q4
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1. Economic policy
2. Stimulus package
3. Bank bailout
4. Auto Company bailout
5. Homeowners aid
6. Tax policy
7. Health care
8. Stem cell research policy
9. Energy policy
10. Education policy
11. Afghanistan policy
12. Iraq policy
13. Foreign policy
14. Foreign Leaders outreach
15. Greet Hugo Chavez
16. Somali pirate situation
17. Closing Guantanamo Bay
18. Investigate GWBush Admin
19. Cuba policy
20. Divide people
21. No change in DC
22. Too bipartisan
23. Not working for little guy
24. Bo the dog
25. Liberal policies
26. Not working hard
27. Hurting country better
28. DISLIKE his policies (Gen)
29. Dislike him (Gen)
30. Not bipartisan
31. Spending too much
32. Increase deficit
33. AIG bonuses
34. Socialism
35. Against Christian values
36. Soft on terrorism
37. Release toxic memos
38. Cabinet choices
96. Everything
97. Nothing
98. Other
99. DK/NA
Regardless of your overall opinion of Barack Obama, what do you like LEAST about what he has done so far as President?

* 
name = q5
label = Most Important Problem
record = 1
column = 37
width = 2
labels =
1 Abortion - Pro Choice/Pro Life/The Choice Issue
2 Poverty / Homelessness
3 Illegal Immigration / Immigrants
4 Guns
5 Environment
6 Racism / Race/relations
7 AIDS
79 Oil dependency
81 Media
8 Child care/Day care
9 Intolerance/Non-racial prejudice/hatred
80 Miscellaneous Social Issues
81 Media
11 Education
12 Elderly
13 Welfare
14 Medicare, Medicaid
15 Public Works: roads, parks, etc.
16 Social Security
17 Health Care
18 Drug coverage/Prescription drugs
10 Misc. Govt. Programs
19 War (Gen)
21 Foreign Policy
22 Nuclear
23 Defense / Military
24 War/Peace/War in Afghanistan
25 Iraq
26 Foreign aid/Attention to Domestic Affairs
27 North Korea
28 Other Specific country
86 Israel/Palestinian Conflict
87 Middle East (Gen)
29 Impeach GWBush
20 Misc. Foreign Affairs
31 Justice System/judges
32 Politicians/Government
33 Fix Government
34 Democrats
35 Partisan Politics
36 Republicans
37 Campaign Fundraising
What do you think is the most important problem facing this country today?
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the economy?

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation with Iraq?
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation with Afghanistan?

* 
name = q10 
label = Obama Handle Terrorism 
record = 1 
column = 43 
width = 1 
labels = 
  1 Approve 
  2 Disapprove 
  9 DK/NA 

text = Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the threat of terrorism?

* 
name = q11 
label = Congress Job Approval 
record = 1 
column = 44 
width = 1 
labels = 
  1 Approve 
  2 Disapprove 
  9 DK/NA 

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

* 
name = q12 
label = Rate Nat'l economy 
record = 1 
column = 45 
width = 1 
labels = 
  1 Very good 
  2 Fairly good 
  3 Fairly bad 
  4 Very bad 
  9 DK/NA 

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 = q13 
label = Changing Nat'l Economy 
record = 1
column = 46
width = 1
labels =
  1 Better
  2 Worse
  3 Same
  9 DK/NA
text =
  Do you think the economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

*  
name = q16
label = Opinion Obama
record = 1
column = 49
width = 1
labels =
  1 Favorable
  2 Not favorable
  3 Undecided
  4 Haven't heard enough
  5 Refused
text =
  Is your opinion of Barack Obama favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Barack Obama yet to have an opinion?

*  
name = q18
label = Obama Did to Accomplish
record = 1
column = 51
width = 1
labels =
  1 More
  2 Less
  3 About expected
  9 DK/NA
text =
  In his first few months in office, do you think Barack Obama has accomplished more than you expected, less than you expected, or about what you expected him to accomplish by now?

*  
name = q19
label = Optimism/Pessimism Obama
record = 1
column = 52
width = 1
labels =
  1 Optimistic
  2 Pessimistic
Are you generally optimistic or pessimistic about the next four years with Barack Obama as President?

Based on his first few months in office, do you think Barack Obama is a typical politician, or do you think he's a different kind of politician? IF DIFFERENT, ASK: Do you think it's mostly his policies that make him a different kind of politician, or is it mostly his style of governing and personal qualities that make him different, or is there some other reason?

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?

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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?
A lot
Some
Not much
Not at all
Don't know/No answer

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

*  
name = q23  
label = Obama Keep Promises  
record = 1  
column = 56  
width = 1  

1 All of them
2 Most of them
3 Some of them
4 Hardly any of them
9 DK/NA

How many of his campaign promises do you think Barack Obama will BE ABLE to keep -- all of them, most of them, some of them, or hardly any of them?

*  
name = q24  
label = Confidence Obama Int'l Crisis  
record = 1  
column = 57  
width = 1  

1 Confidence
2 Uneasy
9 Don't know/No answer

Do you have confidence in Barack Obama's ability to deal wisely with an international crisis or are you uneasy about his approach?

*  
name = q25  
label = Obama tough enough  
record = 1  
column = 58  
width = 1  

1 Tough enough
2 Not tough
9 Don't know/No answer
Do you think Barack Obama is tough enough to make the hard choices a President has to make or not?

* name = q27
label = Obama Economic Approach
record = 1
column = 60
width = 1
labels =
  1 Enthusiastic
  2 Satisfied but not enthusiastic
  3 Dissatisfied but not angry
  4 Angry
  9 DK/NA

text = In general, which describes your feelings about the Obama Administration's approach to addressing the nation's economic problems — enthusiastic, OR satisfied but not enthusiastic, OR dissatisfied but not angry, OR angry?

* name = q28
label = Obama Unite or Divide
record = 1
column = 61
width = 1
labels =
  1 Bring together
  2 Divide
  9 Don't know/No answer

text = In the next four years, do you think Barack Obama's presidency will bring different groups of Americans together, or do you think it will divide them?

* name = q29
label = Obama Media Treatment
record = 1
column = 62
width = 1
labels =
  1 Harder
  2 Easier
  3 The same
  9 Don't know/No answer

text = Compared to the way the news media have treated other presidents, have the news media been harder on Barack Obama, easier on Barack Obama, or have they treated him the same as
other presidents?

*  
name = q30  
label = Obama Change DC  
record = 1  
column = 63  
width = 1  
labels =  
  1 Progress  
  2 Not yet  
  9 DK/NA  
text =  
  Since he has been President, do you think Barack Obama has started to make progress in bringing real change in the way things are done in Washington, or hasn't he done that yet?

*
name = q31  
label = Obama Change Foreign Policy  
record = 1  
column = 64  
width = 1  
labels =  
  1 Mainly good  
  2 Mainly bad  
  3 No change  
  4 Both good and bad (Vol.)  
  9 DK/NA  
text =  
  Since Barack Obama has been President, do you think U.S. foreign policy has changed a lot or don't you think so? IF YES, ASK: Do you think the changes have been mainly good or mainly bad?

*
name = q32  
label = Obama Change U.S. Image  
record = 1  
column = 65  
width = 1  
labels =  
  1 Better  
  2 Worse  
  3 No effect  
  9 DK/NA  
text =  
  Since Barack Obama has been President, do you think the United States' image in the world has gotten better, gotten worse, or has Barack Obama's
presidency had no effect on the United States' image in the world?

*  
name = q34  
label = Obama Progress Recession  
record = 1  
column = 67  
width = 1  
labels =  
  1 Progress  
  2 Not yet  
  9 DK/NA  
text =  
  Since he has been President, do you think Barack Obama has started to make progress in getting the country out of the economic recession, or hasn't he done that yet?

*  
name = q35  
label = Obama Ever Recession  
record = 1  
column = 68  
width = 1  
labels =  
  1 Will  
  2 Won't  
  9 DK/NA  
text =  
  Do you think Barack Obama will be able to get the country out of the economic recession in his first term, or won't he be able to do that?

*  
name = q36  
label = Obama Progress Tax Cuts  
record = 1  
column = 69  
width = 1  
labels =  
  1 Progress  
  2 Not yet  
  9 DK/NA  
text =  
  Since he has been President, do you think Barack Obama has started to make progress in cutting taxes for middle-class Americans, or hasn't he done that yet?
Since he has been President, do you think Barack Obama has started to make progress in ending U.S. military involvement in Iraq, or hasn't he done that yet?

Do you think Barack Obama will be able to end U.S. military involvement in Iraq in his first term, or won't he be able to do that?

Since Barack Obama has been President, do you think race relations in the United States have gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same?
How likely do you think it is that Barack Obama will be able to bring about significant health care reform in his first term -- very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely or not at all likely?

* name = q41
label = Obama Immigration
record = 1
column = 74
width = 1
labels =
   1 Very likely
   2 Somewhat likely
   3 Not very likely
   4 Not at all likely
   9 Don't know/No answer

text =
How likely do you think it is that Barack Obama will be able to bring about significant immigration reform in his first term -- very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely or not at all likely?

* name = q42
label = Obama Energy Policy
record = 1
column = 75
width = 1
labels =
   1 Very likely
   2 Somewhat likely
   3 Not very likely
   4 Not at all likely
   9 Don't know/No answer

text =
How likely do you think it is that Barack Obama will be able to make significant changes to U.S. energy policy in his first term -- very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely or not at all likely?

* name = q43
label = Obama Admin Affect Terrorism
record = 1
Do you think the policies of the Obama Administration have made the United States safer from terrorism, less safe from terrorism, or have the policies of the Obama Administration not affected the U.S.' safety from terrorism?

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name = q44
label = Why Republican Opposition
record = 1
column = 78
width = 1
labels =
  1 Bad for the economy
  2 Political reasons
  3 Both (Vol.)
  9 Don't know/No answer

text =
  Many Republican members of Congress have opposed the Obama Administration's economic plans on taxes and government spending. Do you think they are opposed to these plans mostly because they think they are bad for the economy or mostly for political reasons?

* 
name = q47
label = Biden Approval
record = 1
column = 90
width = 1
labels =
  1 Approve
  2 Disapprove
  9 DK/NA

text =
  Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as Vice President?

* 
name = q48
label = First Lady Approval
record = 1
column = 91
width = 1
labels =
1 Approve
2 Disapprove
9 DK/NA

text =
Do you approve or disapprove of the way Michelle Obama is handling her role as First Lady?

*
name = q49
label = GWBush Job Approval
record = 1
column = 92
width = 1
labels =
1 Approve
2 Disapprove
9 DK/NA

text =
Looking back, do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush handled his job as President?

*
name = q50
label = Gay marriage
record = 1
column = 93
width = 1
labels =
1 Allowed to legally marry
2 Civil unions
3 No legal recognition
9 DK/NA

text =
Which comes closest to your view? Gay couples should be allowed to legally marry, OR gay couples should be allowed to form civil unions but not legally marry, OR there should be no legal recognition of a gay couple's relationship?

*
name = q51
label = Illegal immigrants
record = 1
column = 94
width = 1
labels =
1 Allowed to say and apply
2 Stay as guest worker
3 Required to leave jobs and U.S.
Which comes closest to your view about illegal immigrants who are currently working in the U.S.? 1) They should be allowed to stay in their jobs, and to eventually apply for US citizenship, or 2) They should be allowed to stay in their jobs only as temporary guest workers, but not to apply for U.S. citizenship, or 3) They should be required to leave their jobs and leave the U.S.

Which of the following three statements comes closest to expressing your overall view of the health care system in the United States? 1) On the whole, the healthcare system works pretty well and only minor changes are necessary to make it work better, 2) There are some good things in our health care system, but fundamental changes are needed, 3) Our healthcare system has so much wrong with it that we need to completely rebuild it.

Do you think race relations in the United States are generally good or generally bad?
In general, who do you think has a better chance of getting ahead in today's society -- white people, black people, or do white people and black people have about an equal chance of getting ahead?

* name = q58
label = Race Progress Since 60's
record = 1
column = 100
width = 1
labels =
  1 Progress
  2 No real progress
  9 DK/NA
text =
  Some people say that since the 1960s there has been a lot of real progress in getting rid of racial discrimination against blacks. Others say that there hasn't been much real progress for blacks over that time. Which do you agree with more? Would you say there's been a lot of real progress getting rid of racial discrimination or hasn't there been much real progress?

* name = q59
label = Local Blacks
record = 1
column = 101
width = 1
labels =
  1 None
  2 A few
  3 About half
  4 Almost all
  9 DK/NA
text =
  About how many of the people who live in the immediate area around your home are black -- none, a few, about half, or almost all?

* name = q60
label = Current Work Status
record = 1
column = 102
width = 1
Are you currently employed -- either full-time or part-time -- 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?

* name = q61
label = Blacks in Workplace
record = 1
column = 103
width = 1
labels =
1 None
2 A few
3 About half
4 Almost all
9 DK/NA

text = About how many of the people you work with are black -- none, a few, about half or almost all?

* name = q62
label = 3 Domestic problems
record = 1
column = 104
width = 1
labels =
1 Health care
2 Energy
3 Education
4 Something else/Combination (Vol.)
9 DK/NA

text = Which of these THREE domestic policy areas do you want the President and Congress to concentrate on MOST right now -- health care, energy, or education?

* name = q63
label = Aggressive Interrogation Justified
Do you think it is sometimes justified to use water boarding and other aggressive interrogation tactics to get information from a suspected terrorist, or are these tactics never justified?

* name = q64
label = Waterboarding Torture

In a procedure known as "waterboarding," interrogators produce the sensation of drowning in a restrained prisoner either by dunking him in water or pouring water over his face. Do you consider this procedure a form of torture, or not?

* name = q65
label = Going for U.S. in Iraq

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?

* name = q66
label = Impression Afghan War
What is your impression of how the war in Afghanistan is going for the United States right now -- very well, somewhat well, somewhat badly, or very badly?

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?

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?
Do you think the United States should or should not negotiate with members of the Taliban in Afghanistan?

* name = q70
  label = Negotiate with Taliban if less violence
  record = 1
  column = 112
  width = 1
  labels =
    1 Should
    2 Should not
    9 DK/NA

text =
  Do you think the United States should or should not negotiate with members of the Taliban, if such negotiations could lead to less violence in Afghanistan?

* name = q72
  label = Diplomacy with Iran
  record = 1
  column = 114
  width = 1
  labels =
    1 Should
    2 Should not
    9 DK/NA

text =
  Do you think the United States should or should not establish diplomatic relations with Iran while Iran has a nuclear program?

* name = q73
  label = N. Korea nuclear weapons
  record = 1
  column = 115
  width = 1
  labels =
    1 Requires action now
    2 Can be contained
    3 Not a threat
Which of these comes closest to your opinion?
1. North Korea's development of weapons is a threat to the United States that requires military action right now.
2. North Korea's development of weapons is a threat that can be contained for now.
3. North Korea's development of weapons is not a threat to the United States at all.

As you may know, for the past seven years the United States has been holding a number of suspected terrorists at a U.S. military prison in Guantanamo Bay, Cuba. Based on what you have heard or read, do you think the U.S. should continue to operate the prison, or do you think the U.S. should close the prison and transfer the prisoners somewhere else?

Do you think the United States should or should not re-establish diplomatic and trade relations with Cuba?

Permit travel to all
Only for relatives
3 No travel at all
9 Don't know/No answer

Do you think the U.S. government should permit travel to and from Cuba for all Americans, or permit it only for those with relatives in Cuba, or should the U.S. government not permit any travel to and from Cuba?

* 
name = q77 
label = Returning Vets Treated Right 
record = 1 
column = 119 
width = 1 
labels =
   1 Doing all it could 
   2 Not 
   9 Don't know/No answer 

do you think the federal government is doing all that it could be expected to do to care for the needs and problems facing U.S. military personnel returning from Iraq and Afghanistan, or not?

* 
name = q78 
label = Ban Assault Weapons 
record = 1 
column = 120 
width = 1 
labels =
   1 Favor 
   2 Oppose 
   9 DK/NA 

do you favor or oppose a nationwide ban on assault weapons?

* 
name = q79 
label = Change Current Gun Laws 
record = 1 
column = 121 
width = 1 
labels =
   1 More strict 
   2 Less strict 
   3 Kept as they are 
   9 Don't know/No answer 

In general, do you feel the laws covering the sale of handguns should be made more strict, less strict, or kept as they are now?
* name = q80
label = Opinion MObama
record = 1
column = 122
width = 1
labels =
  1 Favorable
  2 Not favorable
  3 Undecided
  4 Haven't heard enough
  5 Refused
text =  
  Is your opinion of Michelle Obama favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Michelle Obama yet to have an opinion?

* name = q81
label = Opinion Cheney
record = 1
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width = 1
labels =
  1 Favorable
  2 Not favorable
  3 Undecided
  4 Haven't heard enough
  5 Refused
text =  
  Is your opinion of Dick Cheney favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Dick Cheney yet to have an opinion?

* name = q84
label = Friends effect of recession
record = 1
column = 126
width = 1
labels =
  1 Hardship
  2 Difficult
  3 Not much effect
  4 Positive effect (vol)
  9 DK/NA
text =  
  How would you describe the way most people you know have been affected by the recession? 1) The recession has been a hardship and caused major life changes, or 2) The recession has been difficult but not caused any major life changes, or 3) The recession has not had much effect one way
or the other.

* name = q85
label = Personal affect of recession
record = 1
column = 127
width = 1
labels =

1 Hardship
2 Difficult
3 Not much affect
4 Positive effect (vol)
9 DK/NA

text = How would you describe the way YOU have been affected by the recession?
1) The recession has been a hardship and caused major life changes, or
2) The recession has been difficult but not caused any major life changes, or
3) The recession has not had much affect one way or the other.

* name = q86
label = Long-term effect of recession
record = 1
column = 128
width = 1
labels =

1 Continue to spend less
2 Spend as they did before
3 Depends (vol)
9 DK/NA

text = Because of the recession, many people are changing the way they live
and are now spending less on luxuries like entertainment and vacations, and even on necessities like food and clothes. When the recession is over, do you think most people will continue to spend less money or do you think people will spend the way they did before the recession began?

* name = q87
label = Changes Good or Bad
record = 1
column = 129
width = 1
labels =

1 Good
2 Bad
3 Neither
4 Both (vol)
9 DK/NA

text =

Do you think the changes in people's lives that were caused by the recession have mostly been a good thing, or mostly a bad thing or neither?

*
name = q88
label = Income vs Expenses
record = 1
column = 130
width = 1
labels =
1 Can save and buy extras
2 Just enough to pay bills
3 Not enough to pay bills etc.
9 Don't know/No answer

text =

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?

*
name = q89
label = Household Job Loss 2009
record = 1
column = 131
width = 1
labels =
1 Very concerned
2 Somewhat concerned
3 Not at all concerned
9 DK/NA

text =

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?

*
name = q91
label = Source of news
record = 1
column = 133
width = 1
labels =
1 Newspapers
2 Radio
3 Television
4 Internet
5 Someplace else
9 Don't know/No answer

text = Where do you usually get MOST of your news about what's going on in the world today -- from the newspapers, or radio, or television, or the Internet, or someplace else?

*
name = q94
label = Stay home or working Mom
record = 1
column = 136
width = 1
labels =
  1 Better if mother home
  2 Just as well off
  3 Depends (vol)
  9 DK/NA

text = Do you think children are better off if their mother is home and doesn't hold a job or are the children just as well off if the mother works?

*
name = q95
label = Motherhood harder/easier
record = 1
column = 83
width = 1
labels =
  1 Harder
  2 Easier
  3 Same
  9 DK/NA

text = Compared to when you were a child, in general, do you think being a mother today is harder, easier or about the same?

*
name = kids
label = Parent
record = 1
column = 84
width = 1
labels =
  1 Yes, under 18
  2 Yes, over 18
  3 No
Do you have any children?
IF YES, ASK: Are any of your children under 18?

* 
name = q96
label = Mothering style
record = 1
column = 85
width = 1
labels =
1 Very similar
2 Somewhat similar
3 Somewhat different
4 Very different
5 Wasn't raised by my mother (Vol.)
9 DK/NA

How does your own parenting style compare to your mother's? Is your parenting style very similar, somewhat similar, somewhat different or very different from hers?

* 
name = q97
label = Appreciated enough
record = 1
column = 86
width = 1
labels =
1 Yes, enough
2 No, not enough
9 DK/NA

Do you feel your family appreciates you enough as a mother, or do they not appreciate you enough?

* 
name = q98
label = Social Class
record = 1
column = 230
width = 1
labels =
1 Upper
2 Upper-middle
3 Middle
4 Working
5 Lower
9 DK/NA
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 = reg
label = Registered Voter
record = 1
column = 156
width = 1
labels =
  1 Yes
  2 No
  9 DK/NA
	ext = 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 = vt08
label = Vote 2008
record = 1
column = 158
width = 1
labels =
  1 Obama
  2 McCain
  3 Someone else
  4 Voted, won't say for whom (Vol.)
  5 Didn't vote
  9 DK/NA
	ext = 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 = q99
label = Gun
record = 1
column = 167
width = 1
labels =
  1 Yes
  2 No
  9 Don't know/No answer
	ext = Do you or does any other member of your household own a
handgun, rifle, shotgun, or any other kind of firearm?

*  
name = q101  
label = Ever in Iraq or Afghanistan  
record = 1  
column = 169  
width = 1  
labels =  
1 Yes, self  
2 Yes, other  
3 Yes, self and other  
4 No  
9 Don't know/No answer  
text = Have you or has any member of your immediate family served in the armed forces in Iraq or Afghanistan?

*  
name = evan  
label = Evangelical  
record = 1  
column = 151  
width = 1  
labels =  
1 Yes  
2 No  
9 DK/NA  
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  
label = Religion  
record = 1  
column = 150  
width = 1  
labels =  
1 Protestant (Please specify denomination)  
2 Catholic  
3 Jewish  
4 Other (Specify)  
5 None  
9 Don't know/ No answer  
text = What is your religious preference [underline]today[normal]?

*  
name = marr  
label = Marital Status
Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

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

Actual age between 18 and 98(or over)

98 Actual age between 18 and 98(or over)
99 Refused
text =
    How old are you?

*  
name = agea
label = age group
record = 1
column = 234
width = 1
labels =
    1 Between 18 and 29
    2 Between 30 and 44
    3 Between 45 and 64
    4 Over 64
    9 Refused
text =
    Are you between 18 and 29, 30 and 44, 45 and 64, or are you over 64?

*  
name = educ
label = education
record = 1
column = 231
width = 1
labels =
    1 Not a High School grad
    2 High School grad
    3 Some college (trade or business)
    4 College grad
    5 Post grad work or degree (Masters, MBA, JD, MD, Ph
    9 Refused
text =
    What was the last grade in school you completed?

*  
name = q102
label = Post Grad Degree
record = 1
column = 76
width = 1
labels =
    1 Yes
    2 No
    9 DK/NA
text =
    Did you complete the degree?

*  
name = hisp
label = hispanic
record = 1
column = 236
Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, or not?

* 
name = race 
label = race 
record = 1 
column = 235 
width = 1 
labels = 
1 Hispanic 
2 Not hispanic 
9 Don't know/ No answer 
text = 
Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

* 
name = inca 
label = income 
record = 1 
column = 237 
width = 1 
labels = 
1 Under $15,000 
2 $15,000-$30,000 
3 $30,000-$50,000 
4 $50,000-$75,000 
5 Over $75,000 
9 Won't specify/Refused 
text = 
Was your total family income in the year 2008 UNDER or OVER $30,000? 
Was it under or over $15,000?

* 
name = incn 
label = NYTimes Income 
record = 1 
column = 155 
width = 1 
labels = 
1 Under $15,000 
2 $15,000-$30,000 
3 $30,000-$50,000 
4 $50,000-$75,000 
5 $75,000-$100,000 
6 Over $100,000
text = 9 Won't specify/Refused

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

* 
name = q103
label = Income Over 250K
record = 1
column = 166
width = 1
labels = 
   1 Yes, over $250,000
   2 No
   9 DK/NA

text = Was it over $250,000, or not?

* 
name = q104
label = Home Phone Service
record = 1
column = 145
width = 1
labels = 
   1 Both regular and cell
   2 Regular only
   3 Cell only
   9 DK/NA

text = 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?

* 
name = q105
label = Completed Cell Phone
record = 1
column = 146
width = 1
labels = 
   1 Yes, cell phone
   2 No
   9 DK/NA

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

* 
name = nph
label = other phones?
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.

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

Would you be willing to have a reporter call you back to discuss some of these issues?
Would you be willing to speak with a reporter on camera for use on The New York Times website?

* name = dyof
label = Day of Survey
record = 1
column = 29
width = 1
labels =
  1 First
  2 Second
  3 Third
  4 Fourth
  5 Fifth
  6 Sixth
  7 Seventh
  8 Eighth
  9 Ninth
  0 Tenth

* name = days
label = Day of Week
record = 1
column = 21
width = 1
labels =
  1 Sunday
  2 Monday
  3 Tuesday
  4 Wednesday
  5 Thursday
  6 Friday
  7 Saturday

* name = fcll
label = Number of Dialings
record = 1
column = 89
width = 1
labels =
  1
  9

* name = orst
label = State Cell Number Issued
record = 1
column = 163
width = 2
labels =
  1 Alabama
  2 Alaska
  3 Arizona
  4 Arkansas
California
Colorado
Connecticut
Delaware
District of Columbia
Florida
Georgia
Hawaii
Idaho
Illinois
Indiana
Iowa
Kansas
Kentucky
Louisiana
Maine
Maryland
Massachusetts
Michigan
Minnesota
Mississippi
Missouri
Montana
Nebraska
Nevada
New Hampshire
New Jersey
New Mexico
New York
North Carolina
North Dakota
Ohio
Oklahoma
Oregon
Pennsylvania
Rhode Island
South Carolina
South Dakota
Tennessee
Texas
Utah
Vermont
Virginia
Washington
West Virginia
Wisconsin
Wyoming