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labels =  
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  2 African-American  
  3 Hispanic  
  4 Other  
  9 DK/NA  

*  
name = fdia  
label = First Dial Result  
record = 1  
column = 87  
width = 1  
labels =  
  1 Someone answers speaking English  
  2 No answer  
  3 Busy  
  4 Temporarily not in service  
  5 Business or other non-residence i.e. computer line  
  6 Spanish speaking  
  7 Other language (Specify)  
  8 Other problem (Specify)  
  9 Mechanical answering machine  
  0 Not in service - Disconnected - Nonworking -  

*  
name = sex  
label = Respondent's Sex  
record = 1  
column = 22  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
  1 Male  
  2 Female  

*  
name = kapp  
label = Was Ever Appointment  
record = 1  
column = 80  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
  1 Yes  
  2 No
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?

How much attention have you been able to pay to the 2008 Presidential campaign -- a lot, some, not much, or no attention so far?

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 = q3  
label = Opinion McCain  
record = 1  
column = 33  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
  1 Favorable  
  2 Not favorable  
  3 Undecided  
  4 Haven't heard enough  
  5 Refused  
text =  
  Is your opinion of John McCain favorable, not favorable, undecided,  
      or haven't you heard enough about John McCain yet to have an  
      opinion?

*  
name = q4  
label = Likely Voter  
record = 1  
column = 35  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
  1 Definitely vote  
  2 Probably vote  
  3 Probably not vote  
  4 Definitely not vote  
  5 Already Voted  
  9 DK/NA  
text =  
  How likely is it that you will vote in the 2008 election for  
      President  
      this November -- would you say you will definitely vote, probably vote,  
      probably not vote, or definitely not vote in the election for  
      President?

*  
name = q5  
label = Obama/Biden or McCain/Palin  
record = 1  
column = 34  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =
If the 2008 presidential election were being held today and the candidates were Barack Obama for President and Joe Biden for Vice President, the Democrats, and John McCain for President and Sarah Palin (PAY-lin) for Vice President, the Republicans, would you vote for Barack Obama and Joe Biden or John McCain and Sarah Palin?

Well as of today, do you lean more toward Barack Obama and Joe Biden or more toward John McCain and Sarah Palin?

Is your mind made up or is it still too early to say for sure?

*
text = 
In the 2008 Presidential election, did you vote for Barack Obama for President and Joe Biden for Vice President, the Democrats, or John McCain for President and Sarah Palin (PAY-lin) for Vice President, the Republicans?

* 
name = q9
label = Feel re candidates
record = 1
column = 39
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Enthusiastic
  2 With reservations
  3 Party nominee
  4 Dislike other candidate
  9 DK/NA

* text =
(ASKED ONLY IF SELECTED Obama OR McCAIN IN q5)
How would you describe your feelings about (Obama/McCain) as the (Democratic/Republican) nominee -- would you say you enthusiastically support him; support him but have reservations about him; support him only because he is the party nominee; or support him because you dislike (McCain/Obama)?

* 
name = q12
label = Feel re Obama
record = 1
column = 43
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Excited
  2 Optimistic, not excited
  3 Concerned, not scared
  4 Scared
  9 Don't know/No answer

text =
If Barack Obama is elected as President, what best describes
your feelings about what he will do in office 1. excited, 2. optimistic,  
but not excited, 3. concerned, but not scared, or 4. scared?

*  
name = q13  
label = Feel re McCain  
record = 1  
column = 44  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
  1 Excited  
  2 Optimistic, not excited  
  3 Concerned, not scared  
  4 Scared  
  9 Don't know/No answer  
text =  
If John McCain is elected as President, what best describes your feelings about what he will do in office 1. excited, 2. optimistic,  
but not excited, 3. concerned, but not scared, or 4. scared?

*  
name = q16  
label = Like Candidate vs Opponent  
record = 1  
column = 47  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
  1 a great deal  
  2 somewhat  
  3 Only a little  
  9 DK/NA  
text =  
(ASKED IF SELECTED Obama or McCAIN IN q6)  
Would you say you like (Selected Candidate) a great deal better than (Other Candidate), somewhat better than (Other Candidate), or only a little  
better than (Other Candidate)?

*  
name = q22  
label = Changed Candidate Support  
record = 1  
column = 53  
width = 2  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0
Thinking back over the past two months, was there ever a time when you supported (Other Candidate) for President?
IF YES, ASK: What made you change your mind?
Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President?

*  
name = q24  
label = Opinion Biden  
record = 1  
column = 55  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
   1 Favorable  
   2 Not favorable  
   3 Undecided  
   4 Haven't heard enough  
   5 Refused  

text =  
   (NON-REGISTERED RESPONDENTS GO TO q85)  
   Is your opinion of Joe Biden favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Joe Biden yet to have an opinion?

*  
name = q25  
label = Opinion Palin  
record = 1  
column = 56  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
   1 Favorable  
   2 Not favorable  
   3 Undecided  
   4 Haven't heard enough  
   5 Refused  

text =  
   Is your opinion of Sarah Palin favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about Sarah Palin yet to have an opinion?

*  
name = q30  
label = Obama Understands Needs  
record = 1  
column = 61  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
   1 Yes  
   2 No  
   9 DK/NA  

text =  
   Do you think Barack Obama does or does not understand the needs
and problems of people like yourself?

* name = q32
label = Obama Prepared
record = 1
column = 63
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Has prepared
  2 Has not prepared
  9 DK/NA
text =
  Do you think Barack Obama has prepared himself well enough for the job of President, or hasn't he?

* name = q38
label = McCain Understands Needs
record = 1
column = 69
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Yes
  2 No
  9 DK/NA
text =
  Do you think John McCain does or does not understand the needs and problems of people like yourself?

* name = q40
label = McCain Prepared
record = 1
column = 71
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Has prepared
  2 Has not prepared
  9 DK/NA
text =
  Do you think John McCain has prepared himself well enough for the job of President, or hasn't he?

* name = q52
label = Obama re Economy
record = 1
If Barack Obama is elected president do you think his policies would make the economy better, make the economy worse or wouldn't his policies have any effect on the economy?

*name = q57
label = Obama re Individual Taxes
record = 1
column = 97
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
    1 Would
    2 Would not
    9 DK/NA
text =
    If he were elected President, do you think Barack Obama would raise taxes on people like yourself, or wouldn't he do that?

*name = q61
label = McCain re Economy
record = 1
column = 101
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
    1 Better
    2 Worse
    3 No effect
    9 DK/NA
text =
    If John McCain is elected president do you think his policies would make the economy better, make the economy worse or wouldn't his policies have any effect on the economy?
If he were elected President, do you think John McCain would raise taxes on people like yourself, or wouldn't he do that?

*  
`name = q70`  
'label = McCain Continue GWB Policies`  
'record = 1'  
'column = 110'  
'width = 1'  
'md1 = 0'  
'md2 = 0'  
'labels =  
1. Would  
2. Would not  
9. DK/NA'  
'text =  
If John McCain were elected president, do you think he would generally continue George W. Bush's policies, or not?'  

*  
`name = q83`  
'label = Take Exit Poll`  
'record = 1'  
'column = 123'  
'width = 1'  
'md1 = 0'  
'md2 = 0'  
'labels =  
1. Probably would  
2. Probably would not  
9. DK/NA'  
'text =  
If you were approached outside your voting place to take an exit poll survey about how you voted and why for the news networks, do you think you probably would or probably would not participate?'  

*  
`name = q84`  
'label = Take Post Election Phone Poll`  
'record = 1'  
'column = 124'
If you were called on to take another telephone survey about how you voted and why for the news networks, do you think you probably would or probably would not participate?

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?

Is your family financially better off today than it was four years ago, worse off financially, or is it about the same as it was four years ago?
Which best describes you? 1. November 4th will be the first time you vote, or 2. You voted for the first time earlier in 2008 or 3. You have voted in elections before 2008.

How concerned are you that you will encounter problems that might prevent you from voting or prevent your vote from being counted accurately -- very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, or not at all concerned?

If you do vote in the November 4th election, will you vote by mail?
or by turning in an absentee ballot, OR will you vote at your precinct polling place ON Election Day. OR will you vote at an early voting location BEFORE Election Day?

IF ABSENTEE, ASK: As of today, have you already returned your absentee ballot or are you still planning to vote absentee?

* name = q97
label = Early Vote Method
record = 1
column = 164
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Mail/absentee ballot - already returned
  2 Mail/absentee - planning to vote
  3 Precinct voter
  4 Early voter -- already voted
  5 Early voter - planning to vote (vol.)
  9 DK/NA

text =
  When you voted, did you vote by mail or by turning in an absentee ballot, OR did you vote at an early voting location?

* name = votl
label = Most recent vote
record = 1
column = 81
width = 2
labels =
  0 Never
  1 2008
  2 2007
  3 2006
  4 2005
  5 2004
  6 2003
  7 2002
  8 2001-1997
  12 Before 1997
  99 DK/NA

text =
  What year was the most recent election of any kind you voted in?

* name = regl
label = Most recent registration
record = 1
column = 83
width = 2
What year was the last time you registered to vote?

How long have you lived at the address where you live now less than one year, one to two years, three to four years, or 5 years or longer?

These last few questions are for background only. Did you vote in the 2004 presidential election, did something prevent you from voting, or did you choose not to vote? IF VOTED, ASK: Did you vote for John Kerry, George W. Bush, or Ralph
Nader?

*  
name = prim  
label = Primary/Caucus Vote  
record = 1  
column = 157  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
    1 Obama  
    2 Clinton  
    3 Someone else  
    4 Republican primary  
    5 Didn't vote  
    6 Never vote (Vol.)  
    9 Don't know/No answer  
text =  
    Did you vote in a Democratic primary or caucus this year, OR in a  
    Republican Primary or caucus, or didn't you vote in a primary or  
    caucus  
    at all this year?  
    IF VOTED IN A DEMOCRATIC PRIMARY OR CAUCUS, ASK: Did you vote for  
    Barack Obama, Hillary Clinton, or someone else?

*  
name = q99  
label = Served in Military  
record = 1  
column = 224  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
    1 Yes  
    2 No  
    9 DK/NA  
text =  
    Have you yourself ever served in the U.S. armed forces,  
    or in the U.S. reserves?

*  
name = evan  
label = Evangelical/Born Again  
record = 1  
column = 163  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =
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  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
1 Protestant (Please specify denomination)  
2 Catholic  
3 Jewish  
4 Other (Specify)  
5 None  
9 Don't know/ No answer

What is your religious preference today?

*  
name = marr  
label = Marital Status  
record = 1  
column = 88  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
1 Married  
2 Widowed  
3 Divorced  
4 Separated  
5 Never been married  
9 DK/NA

Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

*  
name = prty  
label = Party ID  
record = 1  
column = 147  
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Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

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Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican party or to the Democratic party?

* 

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

* 

How old are you?
name = agea  
label = age group  
record = 1  
column = 234  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
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  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
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 = hisp  
label = hispanic  
record = 1  
column = 236  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
1 Hispanic  
2 Not hispanic  
9 Don't know/ No answer  

text =  
  Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, or not?  

*  

name = race  
label = race  
record = 1
Column = 235
Width = 1
Md1 = 0
Md2 = 0
Labels =
1 White or Caucasian
2 Black or African-American
3 Asian
4 Other (Specify)
9 Refused

Text =
Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

* name = incn
label = NYTimes Income
record = 1
Column = 155
Width = 1
Md1 = 0
Md2 = 0
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
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 = 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 $75,000–$100,000
6 Over $100,000
9 Won't specify/Refused

Text =
Was your total family income in the year 2007 UNDER or OVER $30,000?
Was it under or over $15,000?

* name = q101
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 = q102
label = Completed Cell Phone
record = 1
column = 163
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 = q103
label = ZIP code
record = 1
column = 167
width = 5
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  00000
  99999

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

* name = nph
label = other phones?
1 Yes
2 No
9 Don't know/No answer

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
label = number other phones
record = 1
column = 239
width = 1
labels =

1 Number between 1 and 7
7 Number between 1 and 7
8 8 or more numbers
9 Refused

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

* name = nm
label = Callback
record = 1
column = 240
width = 1
md1 = 0
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labels =

1 Willing, talkative
2 Willing, Not talkative
3 Not willing

Would you be willing to have a reporter call you back to discuss some of these issues?

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label = Day of Survey
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1 First
2 Second
3 Third
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51 Wyoming

text =

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name = rq1
label = Voted 08 (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 48
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
1 Prevented from voting
2 Chose not to vote
3 Yes, Voted for Obama
4 Yes, Voted for McCain
5 Yes, Voted something else (vol.)
6 Yes, Voted, won't say for whom (vol.)
9 DK/NA

Did you vote for President in the elections just held, did something prevent you from voting, or did you choose not to vote for President this year?
IF VOTED, ASK: In the election for President, did you vote for Barack Obama and Joe Biden, the Democrats, or John McCain and Sarah Palin, the Republicans?

* name = rq2
label = Decided 08 Vote (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 68
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 On election day
  2 A few days
  3 In the week before
  4 Sometime in the month
  5 Before that
  9 DK/NA
	ext = When did you finally decide for whom to vote in the presidential election on Election Day, a few days before Election Day, about a week before Election Day, sometime in the month before Election Day, or was it sometime before that?

* name = rq3
label = Why Chose Candidate (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 59
width = 2
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Debates
  2 Economic policy
  3 Obama Lower Taxess
  4 Taxes
  5 Iraq
  6 Health Care
  7 Sarah Palin
8 Attacks on opponent
9 Handle attacks
10 Prepared/knowledgeable
11 Obama Inexperience
12 Fresh ideas
13 No fresh ideas
14 Bring change
15 More of the same
16 Foreign policy
17 Energy policy
18 Calm
19 Erratic
20 Passionate
22 Seems angry
23 Relatable
24 Past associations
25 Trust him
26 Don't trust him
27 Like him
28 Don't like him
29 Economic policy
30 Bill Ayers
31 Joe Biden
32 Will bring change
33 Won't bring change
34 VP Pick(General)
35 George W. Bush
96 Everything
97 Nothing
98 Other
99 DK/NA

What would you say is the main reason you decided to vote for [fill can3]?

* 
name = rq4
label = Why Didn't Vote (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 77
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
1 Not registered to vote
2 No time/work/leave town/didn't get to it
3 Illness/sick
4 Just didn't want to/ didn't like candidates
5 Had to take care of child/someone
6 Line was too long
7 Registration problem/polling place dispute
8 Some other reason (SPECIFY)
As best you can recall, what would you say is the main reason you did not vote?

* name = rq5
label = Voting Method Used (ASKED Nov08b/Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 78
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Mail/absentee
  2 Early voter
  3 Precinct voter
  9 DK/NA

Did you vote by mail or by turning in an absentee ballot, OR did you vote early at an Early voting location, OR did you vote at your precinct polling place on Election Day?

* name = rq6
label = Campaign Contact (ASKED Nov08b/Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 90
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 Yes, Obama campaign
  2 Yes, McCain campaign
  3 Yes, both campaigns
  4 No, neither campaign
  9 DK/NA

did anyone call you or talk to you in person on behalf of either major presidential campaign about coming out to vote? IF YES: From which campaign?

* name = rq7
label = Racial Discrimination Progress (ASKED Nov08b/Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 96
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
1 Progress
2 No real progress
9 Don't know/No answer

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 = rq8
label = Feel re 08 Election (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 100
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
1 Pleased
2 Disappointed
3 Don't care much
9 DK/NA
text =
In general, are you pleased or disappointed with the outcome of the November election for president, or don't you care much one way or the other?

*
name = rq9
label = Feel re Obama Presidency (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 105
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
1 Optimistic
2 Pessimistic
9 Don't know/No answer
text =
Are you generally optimistic or pessimistic about the next four years with Barack Obama as President?

*
name = rq10
label = Obama Presidency Unite/Divide (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
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 = rq11  
label = Obama Presidency Clear Plan (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)  
record = 1  
column = 111  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
1 Yes  
2 No  
9 Don't know/No answer  
text =  Do you think Barack Obama has made it clear what he wants to accomplish in the next four years as president?

*  
name = rq12  
label = Obama Fulfill Promises (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)  
record = 1  
column = 115  
width = 1  
md1 = 0  
md2 = 0  
labels =  
1 Will be able to  
2 Will not be able to  
3 Some, not all (Vol.)  
9 DK/NA  
text =  Do you think Barack Obama will or will not be able to accomplish all the goals he set out in his campaign?

*  
name = rq13  
label = Confidence Obama Decide Iraq (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
How much confidence do you have that Barack Obama will make the right decisions about the war in Iraq -- a lot, some, not much, or none at all?

* name = rq14
label = Confidence Obama Fix Economy (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 132
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 A lot
  2 Some
  3 Not much
  4 None at all
  5 Can't end successfully (vol.)
  9 DK/NA

text = How much confidence do you have that Barack Obama will make the right decisions about the economy -- a lot, some, not much, or none at all?

* name = rq15
label = Voting Frequency (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 133
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =
  1 First time voter
  2 Voted earlier in 2008
  3 Voted before
  9 DK/NA

text = Which best describes you?  1. November 4th was the first time you voted, or 2. You voted for the first time earlier in 2008 or
3. You have voted in elections before 2008.

* 
name = rq16
label = Election Site Waiting Time (ASKED Nov08b/ Nov 7-10)
record = 1
column = 76
width = 1
md1 = 0
md2 = 0
labels =

  1 No wait  
  2 Waited less than a half hour  
  3 Waited a half hour to an hour  
  4 Waited one to three hours  
  5 Waited more than three hours  
  9 DK/NA

text = About how long did you wait in line to vote? Did you not wait at all, wait less than a half hour, wait a half hour to an hour, wait one to three hours, or wait more than three hours?