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Methodology

The survey findings presented in this release are based on the results of interviews conducted June 16-21, 2009. The interviews were conducted at the Center for Opinion Research at Franklin and Marshall College under the direction of the poll's Director Dr. G. Terry Madonna, Head Methodologist Berwood Yost, and Project Manager Jennifer Harding. The data included in this release represent the responses of 580 adult residents of Pennsylvania. Telephone numbers for the survey were generated using random digit dialing, and respondents were randomly selected from within each household. Survey results were weighted using an iterative weighting algorithm.

The sample error for this survey is +/- 4.1 percent. The sample error for registered adults is +/- 4.4 percent. In addition to sampling error, this poll is also subject to other sources of non-sampling error. Generally speaking, two sources of error concern researchers most. Non-response bias is created when selected participants either choose not to participate in the survey or are unavailable for interviewing. Response errors are the product of the question and answer process. Surveys that rely on self-reported behaviors and attitudes are susceptible to biases related to the way respondents process and respond to survey questions.

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Key Findings

The June 2009 Franklin and Marshall College Poll of Pennsylvania residents reveals pessimism about the direction of the state, continuing concern about personal finances, and declining ratings for some of the state’s leading politicians.

More state residents believe the state is “on the wrong track” (48%) than believe it is “headed in the right direction” (44%). Most residents say they are financially “worse off” (43%) or the same (45%) compared to one year ago, although more expect to be “better off” (32%) than “worse off” (21%) one year from now. Residents of southeastern Pennsylvania tend to be more optimistic about the direction of the state and about their future finances than residents elsewhere.

Figure 1. Direction of the State over Time

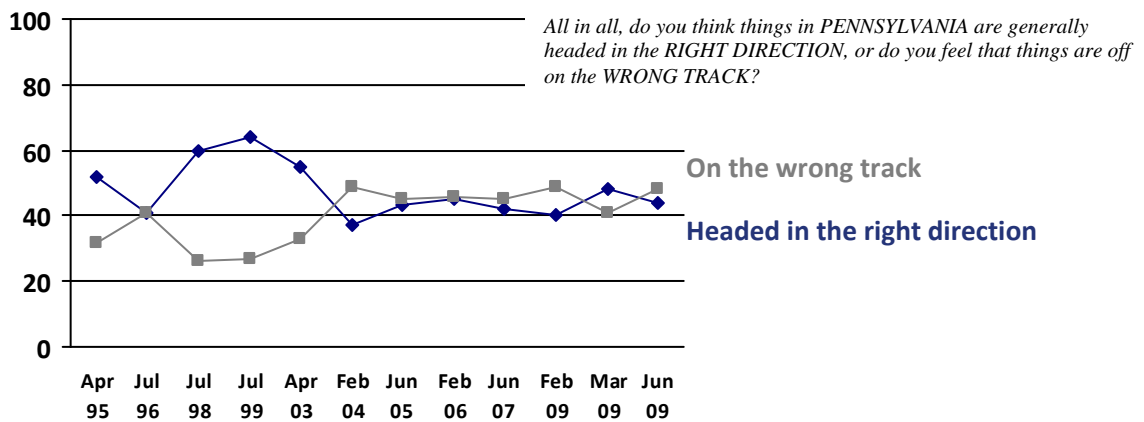
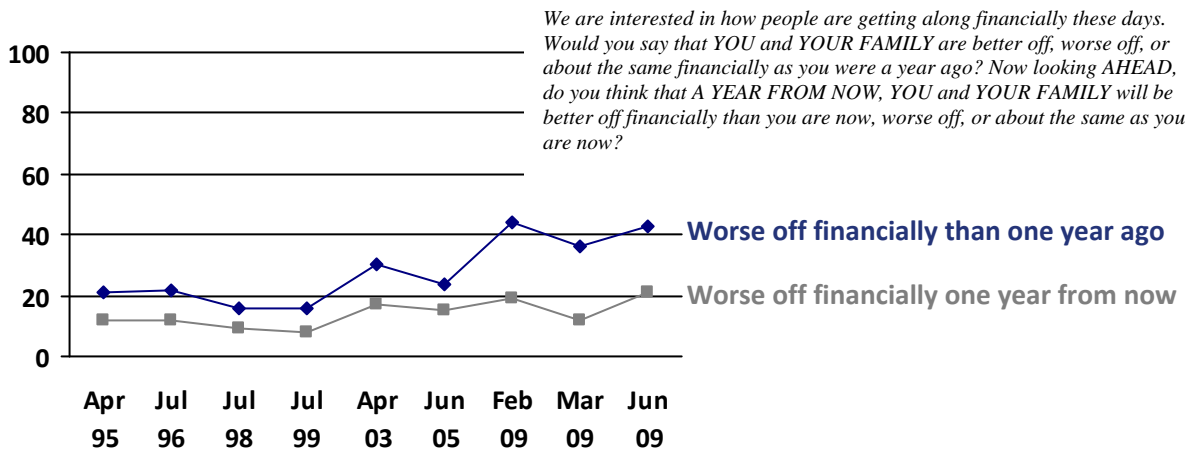


Figure 2. Personal Finances over Time



The job performance ratings for Governor Ed Rendell, Senator Arlen Specter and President Barack Obama have declined since our March survey. The decline in the ratings of the governor and president are modest, but the change in ratings for Senator Specter is startling. Senator Specter’s positive job approval rating dropped from 52% in March to 34% in June. Even more troubling for the senator is that the proportion of state residents who believe he deserves re-election has declined from 40% to 28%. Table 1 shows how attitudes toward the senator have changed since March among Republicans, Democrats, and Independents. His job performance ratings have dropped for all three groups, and his hard re-elect numbers have declined substantially among both Republicans and Independents. Although Specter currently leads Representative Joe Sestak among Democratic primary voters, 33% to 13%, half (48%) remain undecided.

Table 1. Specter’s Ratings by Party Registration, March and June 2009

Job Performance	Republicans		Democrats		Independents	
	March	June	March	June	March	June
Excellent / Good	49%	18%	57%	46%	36%	33%
Fair / Poor	47%	72%	31%	44%	39%	58%
Don't know	4%	10%	12%	10%	25%	9%
Hard Re-elect						
Deserves re-election	41%	11%	41%	43%	31%	24%
Time for change	51%	78%	44%	39%	37%	69%
Don't know	8%	11%	15%	18%	32%	7%
Sample Sizes						
	211	175	298	258	66	51

Marginal Frequency Report

RightDir. All in all, do you think things in PENNSYLVANIA are generally headed in the RIGHT DIRECTION, or do you feel that things are off on the WRONG TRACK?

	Headed in right direction	Off on the wrong track	Don't know
Jun 2009	44%	48%	8%
Mar 2009	48%	41%	11%
Feb 2009	40%	49%	11%
Aug 2007	47%	44%	9%
Jun 2007	42%	45%	13%
Feb 2007	46%	42%	12%
Oct 2006*	47%	42%	11%
Sep 2006*	52%	36%	12%
Aug 2006*	50%	40%	10%
Feb 2006	45%	46%	9%
Nov 2005	39%	52%	10%
Sep 2005	46%	46%	8%
Jun 2005	43%	45%	12%
Mar 2005	50%	44%	6%
Oct 2004*	48%	39%	13%
Sep 2004*	46%	41%	13%
Aug 2004*	43%	40%	17%
Mar 2004*	33%	50%	18%
Feb 2004	37%	49%	14%
Nov 2003	45%	45%	10%
Apr 2003	55%	33%	12%
Sep 2002*	52%	32%	16%
Jun 2002*	55%	32%	13%
Jul 1999	64%	27%	9%
Sep 1998*	67%	15%	18%
Jul 1998	60%	26%	14%
Mar 1998	65%	24%	11%
Oct 1996	49%	31%	21%
Sep 1996*	49%	34%	17%
Jul 1996	41%	41%	18%
Apr 1995	52%	32%	17%

* Question asked of registered respondents only

FinToday. We are interested in how people are getting along financially these days. Would you say that YOU and YOUR FAMILY are better off, worse off, or about the same financially as you were a year ago?

	Better off	Worse off	About the same	Don't know
Jun 2009	11%	43%	45%	1%
Mar 2009	11%	36%	53%	0%
Feb 2009	10%	44%	46%	0%
Oct 2008*	14%	44%	42%	0%
Sep 2008*	12%	40%	47%	0%
Aug 2008*	16%	37%	46%	1%
Feb 2008*	20%	29%	51%	0%
Jan 2008*	17%	25%	57%	1%
Nov 2005	20%	28%	51%	1%
Sep 2005	17%	36%	47%	0%
Jun 2005	24%	24%	52%	0%
Mar 2005	21%	28%	51%	1%
Nov 2003	17%	29%	53%	1%
Apr 2003	16%	30%	54%	0%
Sep 2002*	25%	26%	47%	1%
Jun 2002*	29%	20%	50%	1%
Jul 1999	31%	16%	52%	1%
Jul 1998	31%	16%	52%	1%
Mar 1998	31%	16%	52%	1%
Jul 1996	21%	22%	56%	1%
Feb 1996	21%	21%	57%	1%
Apr 1995	26%	21%	52%	1%

* Question asked of registered respondents only

FinFut. Now looking AHEAD, do you think that A YEAR FROM NOW, YOU and YOUR FAMILY will be better off financially than you are now, worse off, or about the same as you are now?

	Better off	Worse off	About the same	Don't know
Jun 2009	32%	21%	41%	6%
Mar 2009	27%	12%	55%	6%
Feb 2009	29%	19%	45%	7%
Oct 2008*	33%	14%	40%	14%
Sep 2008*	25%	18%	42%	15%
Aug 2008*	28%	15%	45%	12%
Nov 2005	29%	20%	48%	3%
Sep 2005	27%	23%	45%	5%
Jun 2005	32%	15%	48%	5%
Mar 2005	31%	20%	45%	4%
Nov 2003	33%	13%	49%	5%
Apr 2003	27%	17%	51%	5%
Sep 2002*	38%	8%	43%	11%
Jun 2002*	35%	6%	49%	10%
Jul 1999	38%	8%	50%	4%
Jul 1998	41%	9%	45%	5%
Mar 1998	39%	7%	50%	4%
Jul 1996	24%	12%	54%	10%
Feb 1996	29%	16%	49%	6%
Apr 1995	37%	12%	44%	7%

* Question asked of registered respondents only

REG. Some people are registered to vote, and many others are not. Are you CURRENTLY REGISTERED to vote at your present address?

86% Yes
14% No

Questions RegPARTY through BalBud were only asked of registered respondents, n = 498

RegPARTY. Are you currently registered as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or as something else?

52% Democrat
36% Republican
8% Independent
2% Something else
2% Don't know

IntFav. Please let me know your opinion of some people involved in politics today. First, is your opinion of [FILL name] favorable, unfavorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about [FILL name] to have an opinion? (*rotated*)

	Strongly favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Strongly unfavorable	Undecided	Don't know
ED RENDELL						
Jun 2009	15%	27%	15%	25%	11%	7%
Feb 2009	16%	26%	16%	22%	13%	7%
ARLEN SPECTER						
Jun 2009	13%	18%	11%	26%	17%	15%
Feb 2009	14%	28%	12%	17%	15%	14%
BOB CASEY JR.						
Jun 2009	11%	21%	12%	5%	17%	34%
Feb 2009	11%	19%	9%	8%	21%	32%
BARACK OBAMA						
Jun 2009	39%	17%	6%	21%	14%	3%
Feb 2009	38%	18%	8%	15%	17%	4%
Oct 2008	38%	15%	8%	25%	12%	3%
Sep 2008	31%	18%	9%	21%	17%	3%
Aug 2008	25%	18%	7%	22%	23%	5%

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Undecided	Don't know
ED RENDELL				
Jun 2009	42%	40%	11%	7%
Mar 2009	45%	35%	15%	5%
Feb 2009	42%	38%	13%	7%
Aug 2007	47%	36%	12%	5%
Jun 2007	48%	38%	10%	4%
Feb 2007	53%	36%	8%	3%
Oct 2006	54%	30%	12%	4%
Sep 2006	52%	29%	16%	3%
Aug 2006	49%	33%	14%	4%
May 2006	48%	32%	16%	4%
Feb 2006	41%	40%	14%	5%
Nov 2005	39%	38%	18%	6%
Sep 2005	42%	36%	16%	6%
Jun 2005	41%	33%	17%	9%
Mar 2005	48%	28%	18%	7%
Aug 2004	46%	31%	17%	6%
Feb 2004	40%	32%	15%	14%
Nov 2003	46%	26%	21%	7%
Apr 2003	50%	19%	17%	16%
Oct 2002	50%	24%	18%	9%
Sep 2002	43%	19%	25%	14%
Jun 2002	40%	18%	26%	16%
Oct 2001	30%	8%	13%	50%
Apr 2001	29%	7%	11%	52%
Jul 1999	30%	7%	9%	54%
ARLEN SPECTER				
Jun 2009	31%	37%	17%	15%
Mar 2009	48%	24%	14%	14%
Feb 2009	42%	29%	15%	14%

	Favorable	Unfavorable	Undecided	Don't know
ARLEN SPECTER cont.				
Jun 2007	42%	33%	16%	9%
Oct 2004	45%	28%	17%	10%
Sep 2004	42%	26%	25%	8%
Aug 2004	39%	26%	24%	11%
Mar 2004	41%	25%	23%	11%
Feb 2004	41%	25%	13%	21%
Nov 2003	46%	26%	17%	11%
Apr 2003	46%	23%	14%	17%
Sep 1998	57%	17%	19%	7%
Jul 1998	57%	19%	15%	9%
Mar 1998	53%	27%	15%	5%
Oct 1997	52%	20%	18%	10%
Apr 1995	32%	31%	23%	14%
Oct 1992	34%	30%	26%	7%
Apr 1992	55%	28%	17%	--
BOB CASEY JR.				
Jun 2009	32%	17%	17%	34%
Mar 2009	34%	16%	19%	31%
Feb 2009	30%	17%	21%	32%
Jun 2007	29%	22%	23%	26%
Oct 2006	39%	29%	16%	16%
Sep 2006	29%	22%	22%	27%
Aug 2006	31%	20%	18%	31%
May 2006	30%	13%	20%	37%
Feb 2006	30%	8%	16%	45%
Nov 2005	30%	9%	20%	40%
Sep 2005	32%	7%	22%	39%
Jun 2005	40%	9%	15%	36%
Mar 2005	33%	10%	19%	38%
Oct 2001	28%	7%	22%	43%
Apr 2001	33%	9%	22%	36%
Jun 1999	29%	11%	17%	44%
BARACK OBAMA				
Jun 2009	56%	27%	14%	3%
Mar 2009	59%	21%	18%	2%
Feb 2009	56%	23%	17%	4%
Oct 2008	53%	33%	12%	3%
Sep 2008	49%	30%	17%	3%
Aug 2008	43%	29%	23%	5%
Feb 2008	46%	27%	21%	6%
Jan 2008	41%	27%	23%	9%
Aug 2007	37%	21%	23%	19%
Jun 2007	32%	21%	20%	27%
Feb 2007	31%	15%	20%	34%

DemPrim. If the 2010 Democratic primary election for U.S. SENATOR were being held today and the candidates included (*rotated*) Arlen Specter and Joe Sestak, would you vote for Arlen Specter, Joe Sestak, some other candidate, or aren't you sure how you would vote?

n = 258 registered Democrats, sample error = +/- 6.1 percent

- 33% Arlen Specter
- 13% Joe Sestak
- 6% Some other candidate
- 48% Don't know

RatePres. How would you rate the way that Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Excellent job	Good job	Only a fair job	Poor job	Don't know
Jun 2009	20%	35%	25%	19%	1%
Mar 2009	23%	37%	22%	14%	4%
Feb 2009	25%	30%	23%	13%	9%

ConfPres. How confident are you in President Obama's ability to handle the country's economic problems?

	Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not very confident	Not at all confident	Don't know
Jun 2009	26%	40%	14%	20%	0%
Mar 2009	31%	41%	13%	14%	1%
Feb 2009	27%	43%	14%	15%	1%

RateSenS. How would you rate the way that ARLEN SPECTER is handling his job as U.S. SENATOR?

	Excellent job	Good job	Only a fair job	Poor job	Don't know
Jun 2009	10%	24%	37%	18%	11%
Mar 2009	13%	39%	25%	12%	11%
Feb 2009	8%	35%	32%	17%	8%
Aug 2007	15%	36%	33%	12%	4%
Feb 2004	5%	34%	32%	10%	19%
Nov 2003	7%	35%	37%	11%	10%
Apr 2003	11%	36%	30%	11%	13%
Sep 1998	7%	47%	34%	6%	6%
Jul 1998	10%	44%	31%	9%	6%
Oct 1997	12%	41%	33%	6%	7%
Apr 1992	5%	33%	44%	12%	6%
Oct 1991	11%	39%	41%	9%	--

DesRECD. Do you believe that ARLEN SPECTER has done a good enough job as SENATOR to deserve re-election, or do you believe it is time for a change?

	Deserves re-election	Time for a change	Don't know
Jun 2009	28%	57%	15%
Mar 2009	40%	46%	14%
Oct 1997	49%	40%	11%

RateGov. How would you rate the way that Ed Rendell is handling his job as Governor?

	Excellent job	Good job	Only a fair job	Poor job	Don't know
Jun 2009	10%	28%	34%	25%	3%
Feb 2009	7%	35%	37%	17%	4%
Aug 2007	9%	38%	36%	15%	2%
Jun 2007	8%	37%	37%	17%	1%
Feb 2007	11%	39%	34%	14%	2%
Oct 2006	11%	42%	30%	15%	2%
Sep 2006	12%	45%	28%	13%	2%
Aug 2006	11%	39%	33%	15%	2%
May 2006	9%	37%	34%	17%	3%
Feb 2006	8%	36%	34%	21%	1%
Sep 2005	5%	36%	38%	18%	3%
Jun 2005	6%	36%	41%	14%	3%
Mar 2005	6%	33%	46%	11%	4%
Aug 2004	9%	37%	39%	12%	4%
Feb 2004	6%	31%	44%	13%	7%
Nov 2003	7%	33%	35%	15%	10%
Apr 2003	10%	36%	24%	10%	21%

Rate_StL. Now, thinking about the state legislature, what kind of job do you think the state legislature is doing overall?

	Excellent job	Good job	Only a fair job	Poor job	Don't know
Jun 2009	1%	26%	49%	18%	6%
Aug 2007	1%	25%	53%	16%	5%
Jun 2007	1%	25%	46%	21%	7%
Feb 2007	1%	23%	48%	18%	10%
May 2006	1%	19%	51%	22%	7%
Sep 2005*	1%	21%	47%	22%	8%
Nov 2003*	1%	22%	55%	17%	5%
Feb 2000*	3%	33%	49%	7%	9%
Jul 1999*	2%	33%	49%	10%	6%

*Question asked of all respondents regardless of registration status

QualStL. Overall, how would you rate the quality of government in Pennsylvania?

	Excellent	Good	Only fair	Poor	Don't know
Jun 2009	3%	29%	48%	18%	2%
Sep 2005	1%	36%	46%	15%	3%
Nov 2003	2%	36%	48%	13%	2%
Jan 2002	4%	55%	34%	5%	2%
Feb 2000	2%	53%	38%	5%	3%
Jul 1999	2%	47%	41%	8%	2%

BalBud. Pennsylvania is expected to have a large budget deficit this year and next year, which has forced state legislators to think of ways to balance the state budget. Generally speaking, do you think the state legislature should increase taxes to balance the budget, or do you think the state legislature should cut state programs and services to balance the budget?

- 29% Increase taxes
- 44% Cut state programs and services
- 20% Neither
- 7% Don't know

ALL RESPONDENTS

CU1. The state legislature is considering several proposals related to gay marriage and civil unions. Would you favor or oppose a constitutional amendment that would allow homosexual couples to get legally married?

- 27% Strongly favor
- 15% Somewhat favor
- 12% Somewhat oppose
- 40% Strongly oppose
- 6% Don't know

CU2. Would you favor or oppose a state law that would allow homosexual couples to legally form civil unions, giving them some of the legal rights of married couples?*

	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Jun 2009	33%	25%	7%	30%	5%
Feb 2004	21%	21%	11%	39%	8%

CU3. Would you favor or oppose a state constitutional amendment that would define marriage as being between a man and a woman, thus barring marriages between gay and lesbian couples?

	Strongly favor	Somewhat favor	Somewhat oppose	Strongly oppose	Don't know
Jun 2009	38%	10%	15%	31%	6%
Feb 2004	37%	12%	12%	31%	8%

Now I'd like to ask you a few questions about music and shopping.

MUSIC. Which of the following types of music do you enjoy listening to THE MOST?

24%	Rock
21%	Country
11%	Classical
7%	R&B
7%	Pop
5%	Jazz
3%	Hip-Hop
2%	Punk
19%	Something else
1%	Don't know

IntNew. For each of the following statements, please tell me whether you agree, disagree, or neither agree nor disagree.

	Strongly agree	Somewhat agree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat disagree	Strongly disagree	Don't know
I try to keep my life simple, as far as possessions are concerned.	57%	29%	1%	9%	4%	0%
I am willing to make an effort to search for my favorite brand.	38%	33%	3%	15%	11%	0%
Usually, I care a lot about which particular brand I buy.	30%	30%	5%	22%	13%	0%
I prefer one brand of most products I buy.	26%	26%	3%	22%	22%	1%
When I go shopping, I buy things I had not intended to purchase.	23%	31%	3%	18%	25%	0%
It is fun to buy spontaneously.	21%	34%	2%	15%	27%	1%
I'd be happier if I could afford to buy more things.	18%	19%	3%	24%	36%	0%
The things I own say a lot about how well I'm doing in life.	17%	24%	4%	21%	33%	1%
I am a person who makes unplanned purchases.	16%	24%	2%	24%	33%	1%
Buying things gives me a lot of pleasure.	15%	32%	6%	21%	26%	0%
It sometimes bothers me quite a bit that I can't afford to buy all the things I'd like.	14%	25%	2%	24%	35%	0%
Before purchasing a product, it is important to know what friends think of different brands or products I am considering.	12%	16%	2%	22%	48%	0%
My life would be better if I owned certain things I don't have.	11%	19%	1%	27%	42%	0%
Generally speaking, the higher the price of a product, the higher the quality.	10%	19%	1%	29%	41%	0%
I like a lot of luxury in my life.	10%	17%	4%	31%	37%	1%
Before purchasing a certain product, it is important to know what kinds of people buy brands or products I am considering.	7%	9%	3%	26%	55%	0%
Before purchasing a product, it is important to know what others think of people who use certain brands or products I am considering.	4%	10%	4%	24%	57%	1%
I admire people who own expensive cars, homes and clothes.	4%	9%	5%	23%	59%	0%
I like to own things that impress people.	4%	8%	3%	20%	65%	0%
Before purchasing a product, it is important to know what brands or products to buy to make good impressions on others.	4%	7%	3%	15%	71%	0%

I now have a final few questions for statistical purposes only.

CNTY. Region of state (What is the name of the county you live in?)

28%	Central
20%	Southeast
13%	Northeast
12%	Southwest
10%	Philadelphia
9%	Northwest
8%	Allegheny

RESID. How many years have you lived at your current address?

16	Mean
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AGE. What was your age on your last birthday?

9%	18-24
18%	25-34
17%	35-44
20%	45-54
14%	55-64
22%	65 and older

EDUC. What was the highest grade level of schooling you have completed?

10%	Non high school graduate
42%	High school graduate or GED
12%	Some college
10%	Two-year or tech degree
16%	Four year college degree
10%	Post graduate degree

MAR. What is your CURRENT marital status, are you single, married, separated, divorced, or a widower?

27%	Single, Never Married
50%	Married
1%	Separated
11%	Divorced
11%	Widow or widower

IDEO. Politically speaking, do you consider yourself to be a liberal, a moderate, or a conservative?

	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	Don't know
Jun 2009	19%	34%	37%	10%
Feb 2008	20%	41%	35%	4%
Jan 2008	18%	40%	38%	4%
Aug 2007	21%	44%	31%	4%
Jun 2007	19%	42%	35%	4%
Feb 2007	21%	41%	32%	6%
Oct 2006	17%	42%	35%	6%
Sep 2006	20%	39%	36%	5%
Aug 2006	19%	38%	38%	5%
May 2006	16%	43%	35%	6%
Feb 2006	21%	41%	34%	4%
Nov 2005	17%	42%	35%	7%
Sep 2005	22%	38%	35%	5%
Jun 2005*	19%	42%	33%	7%
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Apr 2003*	19%	41%	35%	5%
Oct 2002	16%	41%	35%	8%
Sep 2002	18%	41%	35%	6%
Jun 2002	19%	43%	33%	5%
Oct 2001	20%	38%	36%	6%
Apr 2001	19%	36%	35%	9%
Oct 2000	22%	37%	33%	8%
Feb 2000	19%	44%	37%	0%
Jul 1999	18%	37%	39%	6%

* Question asked of all respondents regardless of registration status

PRTY1. Regardless of how you are registered, in politics, as of today, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, or an Independent?

- 13% Strong Republican
- 10% Republican
- 13% Lean Republican
- 9% Pure Independent
- 13% Lean Democrat
- 14% Democrat
- 23% Strong Democrat
- 3% Don't know
- 2% Other

LABR. Are you or is any member of your household a member of a LABOR UNION?

16% Yes
84% No

VET. Are you a military veteran?

15% Yes
85% No

Hispanic. Are you Hispanic or Latino, or not?

4% Yes
96% No

RACE. Which of the following categories best describes your racial background?

86% White
14% Non-white

ABORT. Do you think that abortion should be...

	Legal under any circumstances	Legal under certain circumstances	Illegal in all circumstances	Don't know
Jun 2009	18%	58%	22%	2%
Aug 2007	22%	56%	21%	1%
Jun 2007	21%	58%	20%	1%
Feb 2007	20%	53%	26%	1%
Oct 2006*	17%	62%	18%	3%
Sep 2006*	22%	54%	22%	2%
Aug 2006*	23%	56%	19%	2%
May 2006*	19%	65%	14%	2%
Feb 2006	23%	57%	17%	3%
Nov 2005	23%	55%	19%	3%
Sep 2005	24%	54%	19%	3%
Jun 2005	22%	55%	20%	4%
Mar 2005	18%	54%	25%	3%
Oct 2004*	18%	61%	19%	2%
Sep 2004*	22%	55%	22%	1%
Aug 2004*	20%	61%	18%	1%
Mar 2004*	16%	58%	24%	3%
Feb 2004	22%	54%	20%	4%
Nov 2003	23%	52%	21%	5%
Apr 2003*	22%	56%	21%	2%
Oct 2002*	29%	51%	17%	3%
Sep 2002*	26%	51%	19%	4%
Jun 2002*	26%	56%	15%	3%
Oct 2001*	25%	52%	20%	3%
Apr 2001*	25%	53%	18%	3%
Oct 2000*	26%	53%	15%	6%
Feb 2000*	23%	53%	20%	4%
Jul 1999	26%	54%	17%	3%

* Question asked of registered respondents only

REL. Do you consider yourself to be Protestant, Catholic, some other religion, or not affiliated with any religion?

- 36% Protestant
- 31% Catholic
- 16% Some other religion
- 16% Not affiliated with any religion
- 1% Don't know

BAC. Do you consider yourself to be a born-again Christian or fundamentalist, or not?

- 32% Yes
- 65% No
- 3% Don't know

Bible. Which of these statements comes closest to describing your feelings about the Bible?

	The Bible is the actual word of God and is to be taken literally, word for word.	The Bible is the inspired word of God but not everything in it should be taken literally, word for word.	The Bible is an ancient book of fables, legends, history, and moral precepts recorded by men.	Don't know
Jun 2009	25%	56%	17%	2%
Feb 2006	27%	51%	21%	1%
Nov 2005	25%	54%	18%	4%
Sep 2004*	26%	59%	13%	3%
Aug 2004*	26%	55%	16%	3%

* Question asked of registered respondents only

NumA. Including yourself, how many adults 18 years of age or OLDER CURRENTLY live in this household?

- 29% One
- 52% Two
- 12% Three
- 7% Four or more

WORK. Are you currently working FULL-time, PART-time, going to school, keeping house or something else?

- 43% Full-time
- 11% Part-time
- 3% Going to school
- 8% Keeping house
- 8% Unemployed
- 5% Disabled
- 22% Retired

INC1. And, just for statistical purposes, we need to know if your total family income is above or below \$50,000 per year?

21%	Under \$25,000
15%	\$25-\$35,000
13%	\$35-50,000
21%	\$50-75,000
12%	\$75-100,000
15%	Over \$100,000
3%	Don't know

DONE. Sex of respondent:

52%	Female
48%	Male