

October 2011 Omnibus Week 2

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Final Topline Results

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1,007 adults age 18 and older

Margin of error: Plus or minus 3.7 percentage points

Interviewing dates: October 13 – 16, 2011

Notes: Due to rounding, percentages may not add to 100. An asterisk (*) indicates values less than 0.5%.

CC1. Congress has now passed free trade agreements with South Korea, Colombia and Panama. Some people support these trade agreements as a way to help our economy by allowing more U.S. goods to be sold overseas. Others are opposed, saying these trade agreements will cost too many American jobs.

Which comes closer to your view -- Do you support or oppose these trade agreements?

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38	Support
41	Oppose
21	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

CC2. There is a proposal before Congress to put tariffs on Chinese goods sold in the United States to reduce our trade deficit with China. Some people support these tariffs because they believe China is manipulating the value of its currency to hold down prices of its products and undercut U.S. manufacturers. Others are opposed, saying these tariffs will increase the price American consumers pay for Chinese products and risk a trade war.

Which comes closer to your view -- Do you support or oppose these proposed tariffs on Chinese goods?

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44	Support
41	Oppose
15	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

CC3. Senate Republicans have blocked confirmation of President Obama's nominee to run a new office to provide more consumer protection of investments, loans and credit cards. Some people feel Senate Republicans are justified in blocking confirmation because this

new office makes it more difficult for banks to lend and should be reformed or eliminated. Others say Obama's nominee should be confirmed and the new office is necessary to protect consumers and prevent another financial crisis.

What is your opinion – Do you think the Senate should confirm or should NOT confirm Obama's nominee?

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46	Should confirm
39	Should not confirm
15	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

CC4. As you may know, protestors around the country have been demonstrating against Wall Street financial institutions and asking for more government regulation of these institutions. How much have you seen or heard about these demonstrations – a lot, some, not too much, or nothing at all?

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35	A lot
30	Some
18	Not too much
17	Nothing at all
*	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

CC5. From what you know about these demonstrations against Wall Street, would you say you completely agree with the goals of the protestors, mostly agree, mostly DISagree, or completely disagree with their goals?

Based on those who have heard a lot, some, not too much or DK about demonstrations (n=864)

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12	Completely agree
47	Mostly agree
18	Mostly disagree
13	Completely disagree
10	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

CC4/CC5. Combo table, based on total

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83	Heard a lot, some, not too much, or DK/Refused
10	Completely agree
39	Mostly agree
15	Mostly disagree
11	Completely disagree
8	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
17	Heard nothing at all

CC6. President Obama and Senate Democrats have proposed a five percent surtax on millionaires to pay for the cost of their jobs plan. In general, would you support or oppose such a surtax on millionaires as a way to pay for federal efforts to create jobs?

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68	Support
27	Oppose
5	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

CC7. Over the past few years, Washington leaders have tried to address the problem of high unemployment, without much success. Which ONE of the following do you think is the MAIN reason unemployment remains high? (READ 1-3 IN ORDER)

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16	Neither Democrats nor Republicans in Washington have come up with any good ideas to reduce unemployment so far;
54	There have been good ideas, but fighting between Democrats and Republicans has blocked needed government action, OR
21	There is not much Washington leaders can do to reduce unemployment through policy or legislation?
9	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

DEMOGRAPHICS

I have one last set of questions to help us better understand the people who took part in our survey.

SEX Respondent's Sex

48	Male
52	Female

EMPLOY Are you now employed full-time, part-time, or not employed?

44	Employed full-time
13	Employed part-time
42	Not employed
*	(DO NOT READ) Don't know/ Refused

PAR Are you the parent or guardian of any children under 18 years of age?

34	Yes
66	No
*	(DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused

AGE What is your age?

19	18 to 29
35	30 to 49
27	50 to 64
17	65 and older
2	(DO NOT READ) Refused

EDUC What is the last grade or class you completed in school? (DO NOT READ)

2	None, or grade 1 to 8
9	High school incomplete (Grades 9-11)
31	High school graduate, Grade 12, or GED certificate
4	Technical, trade or vocational school AFTER high school
25	Some college or university work, but no four-year degree
17	College or university graduate (BA, BS or other four-year degree)
12	Post graduate or professional schooling after college
1	(DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused

HISP Are you of Hispanic or Latino background, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or other Spanish background?

11	Yes
88	No
1	(DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused

RACE What is your race? Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race? [IF R SAYS HISPANIC OR LATINO, PROBE: Do you consider yourself a WHITE (Hispanic/Latino) or a BLACK (Hispanic/Latino)?

69	White non-Hispanic
29	Total non-White
12	Black non-Hispanic
11	Hispanic
3	Asian/Pacific Islander
3	Other non-Hispanic
2	(DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused

INC Last year, that is in 2010, approximately what was your total family income before taxes – just tell me when I get to the right category.

INC1 (IF "DON'T KNOW" OR "REFUSED") Keeping in mind that this is a completely confidential survey, can you please tell me if your total household income BEFORE taxes last year was over or under \$75,000?

INC2 (IF UNDER \$75,000) Was it over or under \$50,000?

INC3 (IF UNDER \$50,000) Was it over or under \$30,000?

26	\$75,000 or more
14	\$50,000 to under \$75,000
20	\$30,000 to under \$50,000
32	Under \$30,000
8	Undesignated

REG Which of these statements best describes you?

72	Are you ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN that you are registered to vote at your current address
5	Are you PROBABLY registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed [OR]
22	Are you NOT registered to vote at your current address?
1	(DO NOT READ) Don't know/Refused

PARTY In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

26	Republican
30	Democrat
35	Independent
5	No preference (VOL.)
*	Other party (VOL.)
3	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)