

Democracy Corps Frequency Questionnaire

October 23-25, 2010
800 Likely Voters¹

Q.3 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total
Yes	100
No.....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:SCREEN1)	

Q.4 Many people weren't able to vote in the 2008 election for president between Barack Obama and John McCain. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	95
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young	5
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE08)	

Q.5 As you know, there was an election for Congress and other offices in 2006. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	Total
Voted	93
Not registered in 2006/Ineligible/too young	7
Did not vote	-
(Can't remember/Don't know).....	-
(Refused).....	-
(ref:VOTE062)	

¹ Likely voters are defined as those 2008 voters who voted or were not eligible in 2006 AND are almost certain to vote, probably to vote, or don't know if they will vote in 2010.

Q.9 What are the chances of your voting in the election for Congress this November: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total
Almost certain.....	84
Probably	7
50-50	-
Will not vote.....	-
(Don't know)	0
(Already voted).....	9
(Refused).....	-
(ref:CP10)	

[68 Respondents]

Q.10 (IF ALREADY VOTED) When you voted by absentee ballot or through early voting, did you vote by mail or in person?

	Total
By mail.....	66
In person	34
(Don't know/ Refused)	-
(ref:ABSENT4)	

Q.11 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total
Right direction	30
Wrong track.....	63
(Don't know/Refused).....	8
Right - Wrong.....	-33
(ref:DIRECT)	

Q.12 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	Total
Strongly approve	27
Somewhat approve	18
Somewhat disapprove.....	9
Strongly disapprove.....	42
(Don't know/Refused).....	4
Total Approve	45
Total Disapprove	52
(ref:BOAPP)	

Q.13 Please tell me how interested you are in November's elections, using a scale from one to ten, on which a "ten" means that you are very interested in November's elections and a "one" means that you are not at all interested. You may choose any number from one to ten.

	Total
10	64
9	9
8	12
7	6
6	2
5	5
4	1
3	1
2	0
1	0
(Don't know/Refused)	0
Mean	9.0
10	64
8-10	85
6-10	93
1-5	7
(ref:NOVINT)	

Q.14 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or organization, please say so.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
14 The Republican Party	46.1	37	43	17	30	97	-6
15 The Democratic Party	43.7	37	48	21	38	99	-11
16 The Democratic Congress	40.5	34	51	17	42	97	-17
17 Barack Obama	48.3	46	44	33	38	99	2
[375 Respondents]							
18 (DEM HOUSE INCUMBENT)(ASK ONLY IN LANDLINE SAMPLE) ²	50.0	37	35	24	27	86	2
[307 Respondents]							
18 (REP HOUSE INCUMBENT)(ASK ONLY IN LANDLINE SAMPLE) ²	54.6	43	26	25	20	84	17
19 Republicans in Congress	44.2	33	45	14	30	96	-12

² The applicable incumbent name was inserted without party identification.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
20 The N.R.A., or National Rifle Association	56.7	46	28	30	20	90	19
21 Pro-life, anti-abortion groups.....	52.9	44	33	30	28	93	10
22 The state of the economy	32.3	18	66	5	46	99	-48
23 The Tea Party movement	48.9	39	35	25	30	88	4

(ref:THERM04/THERM204)

Q.24 Thinking about the elections this November, if the election for U.S. Congress were held today, would you be voting for (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) or (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE)³?

	Total
Democratic candidate.....	40
Lean Democratic candidate.....	3
Republican candidate.....	48
Lean Republican candidate.....	2
(Other candidate)	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0
(Undecided).....	3
(Refused).....	2
Total Democratic candidate	43
Total Republican candidate.....	50
Total (Other candidate).....	2

(ref:CONG10)

Q.28 Even though you are not supporting (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (DEMOCRATIC HOUSE CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress in November -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance, or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	4
A small chance	5
Just a very slight chance	9
No chance at all.....	31
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
Democratic Candidate Supporter	39
Already Voted	9

(ref:CONG10C)

³ In the landline sample, the candidate names were inserted preceded by party identification. For the cell phone sample, both candidates were given as generic.

Q.29 Even though you are not supporting (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) now, what are the chances that you might support (REPUBLICAN HOUSE CANDIDATE) in the election for Congress in November -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance, or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total
Fair chance.....	5
A small chance.....	6
Just a very slight chance.....	9
No chance at all.....	23
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
 Republican Candidate Supporter	46
Already Voted	9
(ref:CONG10D)	

Q.30 Now I am going to read a list of issues and I want you to tell me whether, overall, you think the Democrats or the Republicans would do a better job with this issue. If you do not know, just tell me and we will move on to the next item.

	Dem Much Btrr	Dem Smwt Btrr	Rep Smwt Btrr	Rep Much Btrr	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total Dem	Total Rep	Dem - Rep
30 The economy	20	16	21	24	1	8	10	36	45	-8
31 Taxes	18	17	19	28	2	5	11	35	47	-11
32 Retirement and Social Security	25	13	22	18	1	8	12	38	40	-2
33 Being on your side	26	14	15	23	1	10	12	39	38	1
34 Government spending.....	16	16	20	24	2	11	11	31	45	-14
35 The federal budget deficit.....	17	17	17	27	1	10	12	34	44	-10
(ref:BETJOB CG)										

Q.36 Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. After I read each pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Nei- ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
36 I want somebody in Washington who will fight big corporate special deals and work for the middle class and American jobs. OR I want somebody in Washington who will rein in government spending and deficits and stop higher taxes.	43	7	8	37	4	1	1	50	45	5
(ref:PAIRS10)										

Q.51 Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement, or not?

	Total
Strong supporter.....	23
Not so strong supporter.....	13
Not a supporter.....	54
(Don't know/Refused).....	10
Total Supporter.....	36
(ref:TEASUPP)	

Q.52 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total
1 - 11th grade	2
High School graduate.....	24
Non-college post H.S.	2
Some college.....	25
College graduate	31
Post-graduate school	15
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:EDUC)	

Q.53 Are you a member of a labor union? (IF NO) Is any member of your household a union member?

	Total
Yes: Respondent belongs	13
Household member	9
No member belongs.....	77
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
Union Household.....	22
(ref:UNION)	

Q.54 Are you married, single, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total
Married	61
Single	17
Separated/Divorced.....	12
Widowed.....	8
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
Sep/Div/Wid.....	20
(ref:MARITAL)	

Q.55 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total
Strong Democrat	24
Weak Democrat.....	10
Independent-lean Democrat.....	9
Independent	8
Independent-lean Republican	15
Weak Republican	11
Strong Republican.....	22
(Don't know/Refused).....	2
(ref:PTYID1)	

Q.58 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total
Liberal.....	17
Moderate	34
Conservative	44
(Don't know/Refused).....	5
(ref:IDEO1)	

[114 Respondents]

Q.59 (ASK IN CELL SAMPLE ONLY) Now, thinking about your telephone use, is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

	Total
Yes	37
No.....	63
(Don't Know/Refused)	-
(ref:LANDLINE)	

[686 Respondents]

Q.60 (ASK IN LANDLINE SAMPLE ONLY) Now thinking about your telephone use, do you have a working cell phone?

	Total
Yes	81
No.....	17
(Don't Know/Refused)	1
(ref:CELLLINE)	

[600 Respondents]

Q.61 (DO NOT ASK IF NO IN LANDLINE) (DO NOT ASK IF NO OR DK/REF IN CELLLINE) Of all the personal telephone calls that you receive, do you get..

	Total
All or almost all calls on a cell phone	27
Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone	36
All or almost all calls on a regular home phone.....	36
(Don't Know/Refused)	1
(ref:DUALUSE)	

Phone Use Table

	Total
Cell Only.....	9
Cell Mostly.....	20
Dual User	27
Landline Mostly	27
Landline Only	15
Landline Unknown.....	2
Cell Mostly (from Cell Sample).....	5
Cell Mostly (from Landline Sample)	15

[763 Respondents]

Q.62 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican John McCain?

	Total
Democrat Barack Obama.....	45
Republican John McCain	45
(Ralph Nader).....	0
(Bob Barr).....	0
(Other).....	3
(Don't Know/Refused)	6
(ref:VOTE2008)	

[763 Respondents]

Q.63 (ASK IF VOTED IN VOTE08) In the 2008 election for Congress, did you vote for (2008 HOUSE DEMOCRAT) or (2008 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)⁴?

	Total
(2008 HOUSE DEMOCRAT).....	41
(2008 HOUSE REPUBLICAN)	43
(Other candidate)	2
(Did Not Vote for Congress).....	3
(Don't Know/Refused)	11
(ref:VT CG2008)	

Q.64 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total
White	76
African-American or Black.....	11
Hispanic or Latino.....	8
Native American	1
Asian	1
(Other).....	1
(Don't know/Refused).....	1
(ref:RACETHN)	

Q.2 Respondent's gender

	Total
Male.....	48
Female	52
(ref:GENDER)	

⁴ Actual candidate names were inserted preceded by party identifications for all districts. In unopposed districts, a generic candidate was used as the opposition. In the cell sample, “the Democratic candidate” and “the Republican candidate” were used.

Q.6 In what year were you born?

	Total
18 - 24	6
25 - 29	5
30 - 34	6
35 - 39	8
40 - 44	10
45 - 49	10
50 - 54	9
55 - 59	10
60 - 64	12
65 and over	22
(No answer)	2
(ref:AGE)	