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Final Topline Results (10/1/10)

N = 1,025 adults 18+ (691 landline interviews and 334 cell phone interviews)

Margins of error: plus or minus 3.8 Interviewing dates: 9/29-30/10

SAMPLE SIZE/MARGIN OF ERROR FOR TOTAL ADULTS SUBGROUPS:

325	Republicans	(plus o	r minus	6.7)

- Democrats (plus or minus 6.3)
- 291 Independents (plus or minus 7.3)
- Dissatisfied with direction of the country (plus or minus 4.6)

SAMPLE SIZE/MARGIN OF ERROR FOR REGISTERED VOTERS SUBGROUPS:

- Registered voters (plus or minus 4.1)
- 768 Definite voters (plus or minus 4.4)
- Angry voters (plus or minus 8.0)
- Republican RVs (plus or minus 6.8)
- 327 Democrat RVs (plus or minus 6.7)
- 234 Independent RVs (plus or minus 8.2)

Notes: Data are weighted so that sample demographics match Census Current Population Survey parameters for gender, age, education, race, region, and population density. In addition, data are weighted to correct for different probabilities of selection associated with the number of adults in each respondent's household and their telephone usage patterns.

Results based on smaller subgroups are subject to larger margins of sampling error. Sample size and margins of error for these subgroups are included in a separate methodology statement.

An asterisk (*) indicates a value less than 1%.

*RVA. Which ONE of the following three statements best describes you... (READ)

- 81 Are you ABSOLUTELY CERTAIN you're registered to vote at your current address, OR
- 6 Are you PROBABLY registered, but there is a chance your registration has lapsed, OR
- 13 Are you NOT registered to vote at your current address?
- * Don't know

*1a/b. Suppose the elections for U.S. Congress were being held TODAY... Would you vote for (ROTATE: the Republican Party's candidate or the Democratic Party's candidate) for Congress in your district? [IF OTHER/UNDECIDED, RESPONDENTS WERE ASKED] As of TODAY, do you LEAN more toward... (ROTATE: the Republican or the Democrat) (running for Congress in your district)?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS¹

CURRENT TOTAL 43 48 9 =100 Republican RVs 93 4 3 =100 Democrat RVs 2 96 2 =100 Independent RVs 47 30 23 =100 Definite voters² 42 50 8 =100 Angry voters³ 73 19 8 =100 2010 TRENDS (RVS) 8/25-26/10 45 45 10 =100 2/17-18/10 43 45 12 =100 2006 TRENDS (RVS) 11/2-3/06 36 52 12 =100 2006 TRENDS (RVS) 38 49 13 =100 10/26-27/06 38 49 13 =100 10/19-20/06 37 51 12 =100 10/19-20/06 38 51 11 =100 8/24-25/06 38 50 12 =100 10/19-20/06 38 50 12 =100		Rep/Lean Rep	Dem/Lean Dem	Undecided/Other	
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Registered voters are defined as those who say they are 'absolutely certain' they are registered to vote at their current address in Question RVA.

Definite voters are defined as registered voters who say they will 'definitely vote' in the 2010 election for U.S. Congress in Question LVA.

Angry voters are defined as registered voters who say they are 'angry' with the federal government in Question 9.

⁴ June 2002 and February 2002 trends from Pew Research Center.

*2. Do you see your vote for U.S. Congress this year as a vote FOR Barack Obama, a vote AGAINST Obama, or is Obama not much of a factor in your vote for Congress?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS

	<u>For</u>	<u>Against</u>	Not a factor	Don't know	
CURRENT TOTAL	32	30	33	5	=100
Republican RVs	2	63	32	3	=100
Democrat RVs	67	4	24	5	=100
Independent RVs	15	30	50	5	=100
Angry voters	10	59	28	3	=100
TRENDS (RVS)					
9/21-10/4, 2006 (G.W. Bush) ⁵	18	39	40	3	=100
10/6-9/1994 (Clinton) ⁶	17	23	54	6	=100
10/23-28/1982 (Reagan) ⁷	23	21	51	5	=100

LVA. What are the chances that you, yourself, will vote in the 2010 election for U.S. Congress? Will you... (READ)

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS

<u>Total</u>		Angry voters
81	Definitely vote	84
16	Probably vote	15
2	Probably NOT vote, OR will you	1
*	Definitely NOT vote in the election for Congress?	0
<u>1</u>	(DO NOT READ) Don't know	<u>0</u>
100		100

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^{9/21-10/4, 2006} trends from the Pew Research Center. Question wording was slightly different: "Do you think of your vote for Congress this fall as a vote FOR George W. Bush, as a vote AGAINST George W. Bush, or isn't George W. Bush much of a factor in your vote?"

^{6 10/6-9/94} trends from a Times Mirror poll. Question wording was slightly different: "Do you think of your vote for Congress this fall (1994) as a vote for (President) Bill Clinton, or as a vote against Bill Clinton, or isn't Bill Clinton much of a factor in your vote?"

^{10/23-28/82} trends from a CBS News/New York Times poll. Question wording was slightly different: "Do you think of your vote for Congress this fall as a vote for Ronald Reagan, or as a vote against Ronald Reagan, or isn't Ronald Reagan much of a factor in your vote?"

*3. Regardless of how you might vote, which of the following outcomes would you MOST like to see for this year's Congressional elections? Would you rather see... (ROTATE: the Democrats keep control of Congress OR the Republicans win enough seats to take over Congress)?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS

	Democrats keep	Republicans win		
	<u>control</u>	seats to take over	<u>DK</u>	
CURRENT TOTAL	46	44	10	=100
Republican RVs	3	94	3	=100
Democrat RVs	91	4	5	=100
Independent RVs	30	51	19	=100
Angry voters	17	74	9	=100
	Democrats win	Republicans keep		
	seats to take over	<u>control</u>	<u>DK</u>	
2006 Trend (Total Adults) ⁸				
10/5-6/06	53	35	12	=100

Questions 4 and 5 asked in random order.

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

CURRENT TOTAL	<u>Approve</u> 48	Disapprove 46	<u>DK</u> 6	=100
CORRENT TOTAL	40	40	O	-100
TRENDS				
8/25-26/10	47	45	8	=100
6/23-24/10 ⁹	48	46	6	=100
2/17-18/10	48	40	12	=100
$1/14 - 17/10^{10}$	49	38	13	=100
$7/16-19/09^{11}$	57	32	11	=100
4/1-2/09	61	27	12	=100
3/4-5/09	58	26	16	=100

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Early October 2006 trend for this question reflects opinions of a GOP-controlled Congress. Question wording was slightly different: "Which of the following outcomes would you most like to see for this year's Congressional elections? Would you rather see... (RESPONSE CATEGORIES ROTATED) the Republicans keep control of Congress or the Democrats win enough seats to take over Congress?"

In June 2010, presidential job approval was asked as part of a list question with multiple items, including job approval for Republicans in Congress and Democrats in Congress.

January 2010 trends from PSRAI.

July 2009 trends from PSRAI.

*5. Are you satisfied or dissatisfied with the way things are going in the United States at this time?

	Satisfied	Dissatisfied	<u>DK</u>	
CURRENT TOTAL	27	68	5	=100
Trends ¹²				
6/23-24/10	27	69	4	=100
2/17-18/10	19	73	8	=100
4/1-2/09	22	69	9	=100
1/14-15/09	20	72	8	=100
12/3-4/08	21	72	7	=100
10/08-09/08 Financial meltdown	10	86	4	=100
6/18-19/08	14	80	6	=100
2/6-7/08	24	69	7	=100
8/1-2/07	24	69	7	=100
7/11-12/07	27	68	5	=100
7/2-3/07	24	67	9	=100
6/18-19/07	26	68	6	=100
5/2-3/07 Bush veto of Iraq funding bill	25	71	4	=100
3/14-15/07	28	64	8	=100
1/17-18/07	30	62	8	=100
12/6-7/06	31	59	10	=100
10/5-6/06 Foley scandal	25	67	8	=100
8/10-11/06	26	67	7	=100
5/11-12/06 NSA wiretapping	23	71	6	=100
3/16-17/06	30	64	6	=100
11/10-11/05	26	68	6	=100
9/8-9/05 Hurricane Katrina	28	66	6	=100
8/2-4/05	36	54	10	=100
10/21-22/04	40	56	4	=100
5/13-14/04 Prisoner abuse scandal	30	62	8	=100
4/8-9/04	36	59	5	=100
1/8-9/04	46	47	7	=100
12/18-19/03 Saddam's capture	46	47	7	=100
10/9-10/03	40	54	6	=100
4/03 Iraq War begins	50	41	9	=100
7/02	46	46	8	=100
9/01 Terrorist attacks	57	34	9	=100
6/01	43	52	5	=100
1/01	55	41	4	=100
6/00	47	45	8	=100
8/99	56	39	5	=100
9/98	54	42	4	=100
1/97	38	58	4	=100
3/96	28	70	2	=100
6/95	25	73	2	=100
8/94	24	71	5	=100
6/92 Recession	14	84	2	=100
3/91 Gulf War Victory	66	31	3	=100
9/90	37	58	5	=100
9/88	56	40	4	=100
11/85	51	46	3	=100

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Full trendline from 11/06 to present; earlier trends selected. Trends from 4/03, 6/00-6/01 and 6/95-8/99 from Pew Research Center; 11/85-6/92 from Gallup.

*6. We'd like to know WHY you are dissatisfied with the way things are going in the country. As I read you some possible reasons, tell me if each is one of the MAIN reasons you are dissatisfied... OR is a reason, but not one of the main reasons... OR is not a reason you are dissatisfied. (First,) how about...(READ AND RANDOMIZE)?

REPEAT AS NECESSARY: Is this one of the MAIN reasons; OR a reason, but not a main reason; OR not a reason (you are dissatisfied with the direction of the country)?

BASED ON THOSE WHO ARE DISSATISFIED WITH THE DIRECTION OF THE COUNTRY 13

	One of the main reasons	A reason, but not a main one	Not a reason	<u>DK</u>	
a. Economic conditions in general					
CURRENT TOTAL	75	16	7	2	=100
TRENDS 8/23-25/94	52	34	13	1	=100
8/23-23/94	32	34	13	1	-100
b. Not enough good-paying jobs					
CURRENT TOTAL	56	28	15	1	=100
Trends					
8/23-25/94	45	32	21	2	=100
c. Low moral and ethical standards					
CURRENT TOTAL	41	34	24	1	=100
TRENDS	71	34	24	1	100
8/23-25/94	59	28	12	1	=100
d. Poverty and homelessness	•	• •			400
CURRENT TOTAL	36	39	24	1	=100
TRENDS 8/23-25/94	44	43	13	*	=100
6/23-23/94	44	43	13		-100
e. The way the health care system is					
working					
CURRENT TOTAL	58	25	15	2	=100
TRENDS					400
8/23-25/94	44	31	21	4	=100
f. The way government and the political					
system is working					
CURRENT TOTAL	65	25	8	2	=100
Trends					
8/23-25/94	61	30	7	2	=100
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g. Government spending and the federal deficit					
CURRENT TOTAL	68	20	10	2	=100
TRENDS				_	100
8/23-25/94	70	24	4	2	=100
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Q6 continued on next page...

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Those who are dissatisfied with the direction of the country are defined as those who say 'dissatisfied' in Question 5.

Q6 continued...

	One of the main reasons	A reason, but not a main one	Not a reason	<u>DK</u>	
h. Illegal immigration CURRENT TOTAL TRENDS	45	30	24	1	=100
8/23-25/94	47	36	16	1	=100
i. The amount of taxes people have to pay CURRENT TOTAL	49	32	17	2	=100
j. U.S. involvement in wars overseas CURRENT TOTAL	37	36	25	2	=100
k. The bailout of Wall Street and big banks CURRENT TOTAL	50	31	15	4	=100
l. The oil spill in the Gulf of Mexico CURRENT TOTAL	31	30	38	1	=100

*7. In general, how much do you blame each of the following for the national problems that make you dissatisfied? (First,) how much do you blame... (INSERT ITEMS a-c IN ORDER, THEN RANDOMIZE ORDER OF ITEMS d & e) - a lot, somewhat, only a little or not at all?

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	A lot	Somewhat	Only a little	Not at all	<u>DK</u>	
 a. President Barack Obama CURRENT TOTAL AUGUST 1994 TREND¹⁴ 	33	31	15	20	1	=100
8/23-25/94 (Clinton)	33	37	16	13	1	=100
b. Former President George W. Bush CURRENT TOTAL	39	33	21	6	1	=100
c. The U.S. Congress as a whole CURRENT TOTAL	59	28	8	2	3	=100
d. Democrats in Congress CURRENT TOTAL AUGUST 1994 TREND	42	34	13	7	4	=100
8/23-25/94	35	35	15	13	2	=100
e. Republicans in Congress						
CURRENT TOTAL AUGUST 1994 TREND	30	39	19	8	4	=100
8/23-25/94	24	42	19	13	2	=100

Trend question wording was slightly different: "How much do you blame each of the following people and groups for the national problems that make you dissatisfied? (First,) do you blame...(INSERT ITEM. ROTATE START): a lot, somewhat, only a little or not at all?"

*8. Please tell me which political party... (ROTATE: the Republicans or the Democrats)... you trust to do a better job handling each of the following. (First,) what about...(INSERT ITEMS; READ AND RANDOMIZE)?

REPEAT AS NECESSARY: Which party do you trust to do a better job handling this issue... (ROTATE: the Republicans or the Democrats?)

	Reps	<u>Dems</u>	(VOL.) <u>Both</u>	(VOL.) Neither	<u>DK</u>	
a. Terrorism Current Total	40	34	11	10	5	=100
Republicans	79	5	5	8	3	=100
Democrats	11	68	12	7	2	=100
Independents	39	24	15	15	7	=100
LATE OCTOBER TRENDS						
$10/26-27/06^{15}$	40	39	4	8	9	=100
10/24-25/02	47	24	9	8	12	=100
b. The war in Afghanistan						
CURRENT TOTAL	32	38	8	15	7	=100
Republicans	69	5	9	12	5	=100
Democrats	7	76	7	8	2	=100
Independents	31	25	10	23	11	=100
c. The economy						
CURRENT TOTAL	34	44	8	11	3	=100
Republicans	76	9	7	7	1	=100
Democrats	4	85	5	5	1	=100
Independents	34	29	12	21	4	=100
LATE OCTOBER TRENDS						
10/26-27/06	34	47	4	6	9	=100
10/24-25/02	38	37	7	7	11	=100
d. Health care						
CURRENT TOTAL	34	48	5	9	4	=100
Republicans	74	13	4	8	1	=100
Democrats	2	88	4	4	2	=100
Independents	35	35	8	16	6	=100
LATE OCTOBER TRENDS						
10/26-27/06	26	53	4	8	9	=100
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Late October 2006 trend item wording was slightly different: "The war against terrorism at home and abroad"

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. Turnizantian	Reps	<u>Dems</u>	Both	Neither	<u>DK</u>	
e. Immigration CURRENT TOTAL	37	39	8	11	5	=100
Republicans	76	6	5	9	4	=100
Democrats	8	77	6	6	3	=100
Independents	35	26	13	16	10	=100
LATE OCTOBER TRENDS		4.0				4.00
10/26-27/06	32	40	4	11	13	=100
f. Federal spending and the deficit	26	40		1.4	4	100
CURRENT TOTAL	36	40	6	14	4	=100
Republicans	73	9	6	11	1	=100
Democrats	5	77	5	9	4	=100
Independents	39	27	9	21	4	=100
LATE OCTOBER TRENDS						
10/26-27/06	31	47	3	10	9	=100
g. Social Security						
CURRENT TOTAL	31	45	7	13	4	=100
Republicans	73	9	5	11	2	=100
Democrats	3	86	4	6	1	=100
Independents	29	31	9	23	8	=100
LATE OCTOBER TRENDS			_	_		4.00
10/24-25/02	32	42	5	7	14	=100
h. Taxes	25	40	_		2	100
CURRENT TOTAL	37	42	7	11	3	=100
Republicans	77	7	5	10	1	=100
Democrats	5	83	4	7	1	=100
Independents	40	29	10	16	5	=100
LATE OCTOBER TRENDS	40	26	~	0	1.1	100
10/24-25/02	40	36	5	8	11	=100
i. Unemployment						
CURRENT TOTAL	33	45	6	11	5	=100
Republicans	72	11	6	7	4	=100
Democrats	4	84	3	8	1	=100
Independents	33	31	11	15	10	=100
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j. Reform of the financial and	Reps	<u>Dems</u>	(VOL.) Both	(VOL.) Neither	<u>DK</u>	
banking industries CURRENT TOTAL	29	43	7	13	8	=100
Republicans Democrats Independents	67 5 28	10 82 29	7 1 13	11 8 20	5 4 10	=100 =100 =100
k. Energy and the environment CURRENT TOTAL	29	48	10	9	4	=100
Republicans Democrats Independents	67 5 25	16 82 39	9 7 12	6 4 17	2 2 7	=100 =100 =100
l. Education CURRENT TOTAL	28	47	10	11	4	=100
Republicans Democrats Independents	66 5 21	14 81 38	12 7 13	6 5 20	2 2 8	=100 =100 =100
LATE OCTOBER TRENDS 10/24-25/02	36	38	8	5	13	=100

^{*9.} On another subject... Some people say they are basically content with the federal government, others say they are frustrated, and others say they are angry. Which of these best describes how you feel? (last asked 6/23-24/10)

	Basically content	<u>Frustrated</u>	Angry	<u>DK</u>	
CURRENT TOTAL	20	54	23	<u>DK</u> 3	=100
Republican RVs	7	54	38	1	=100
Democrat RVs	34	51	8	7	=100
Independent RVs	13	60	26	1	=100
TRENDS (TOTAL ADULTS) ¹⁶					
6/23-24/10	21	52	24	3	=100
3/11-21/10	19	56	21	4	=100
12/12/06-1/21/07	21	58	16	5	=100
9/21/06-10/4/06	21	54	20	5	=100
3/17-21/04	32	52	13	3	=100
11/13-19/01	53	34	8	5	=100
6/14-28/00	28	53	13	6	=100
2/9-14/00	33	54	10	3	=100
9/25/97-10/31/97	29	56	12	3	=100

Trends 9/97-10/97 thru 3/10 are from Pew Research Center.

10. Please tell me whether or not you would describe yourself as ANGRY at any of the following political officeholders. (First,) what about... (INSERT—READ AND RANDOMIZE)? READ AS NECESSARY: Would you describe yourself as angry at (him/them), or not?

D. H. D. HOL	Yes, angry at	No, not angry a	t <u>DK</u>	
a. President Barack Obama CURRENT TOTAL	33	65	2	=100
Republican RVs	63	34	3	=100
Democrat RVs	6	93	1	=100
Independent RVs	37	61	2	=100
macpendent ix v s	37	01	2	100
Angry voters	73	23	4	=100
b. The member of the U.S. House who represents your Congressional district				
CURRENT TOTAL	30	62	8	=100
COME.VI TOTAL	20	~ -		100
Republican RVs	40	52	8	=100
Democrat RVs	20	70	10	=100
Independent RVs	33	63	4	=100
macponaem 10 v 5	33	05	•	100
Angry voters	51	38	11	=100
c. The U.S. Senators who represent your state				
CURRENT TOTAL	35	60	5	=100
CURRENT TOTAL	33	00	3	-100
Republican RVs	41	55	4	=100
Democrat RVs	25	69	6	=100
Independent RVs	42	57	1	=100
independent it v s	72	31	1	100
Angry voters	58	36	6	=100
d. Democratic Party leaders in Congress				
CURRENT TOTAL	43	55	2	=100
COMENT TOTAL	15	33	2	100
Republican RVs	73	25	2	=100
Democrat RVs	16	83	1	=100
Independent RVs	48	50	2	=100
macponatin revo		20	_	100
Angry voters	81	17	2	=100
e. Republican Party leaders in Congress				
CURRENT TOTAL	47	49	4	=100
CURRENT TOTAL	4/	49	4	-100
Republican RVs	27	70	3	=100
Democrat RVs	63	34	3	=100
Independent RVs	48	47	5	=100
macpondent ic vo	70	7/	5	100
Angry voters	54	40	6	=100
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	Yes, angry at	No, not angry at	<u>DK</u>	
f. Incumbent members of Congress generally, regardless of party				
CURRENT TOTAL	43	50	7	=100
Republican RVs	54	38	8	=100
Democrat RVs	34	58	8	=100
Independent RVs	46	50	4	=100
Angry voters	78	16	6	=100
(NET) ANGRY AT ANY OF THE ABOVE				
CURRENT TOTAL	76			
Republican RVs	86			
Democrat RVs	71			
Independent RVs	74			
Angry voters	96			

11. Thinking again about your vote for U.S. Congress, please tell me if you would be more likely or less likely to vote for a Congressional candidate who expresses anger in each of the following ways – or if it would not have much effect either way. (First,) what if a candidate... (INSERT—READ AND RANDOMIZE)? READ AS NECESSARY: Would this make you more likely or less likely to vote for the candidate, or would it not have much effect either way?

a. Expresses anger at current officeholders	More	Less	Not much effect	<u>DK</u>	
in Washington CURRENT TOTAL	41	18	37	4	=100
Angry voters	64	8	22	6	=100
b. Expresses anger at the Wall Street firms and big banks that received federal bailout money					
CURRENT TOTAL	49	14	35	2	=100
Angry voters	59	12	26	3	=100
c. Expresses anger about the state of the economy and the jobs situation					
CURRENT TOTAL	60	13	25	2	=100
Angry voters	74	7	18	1	=100
d. Expresses anger about federal spending, taxes, and the deficit					
CURRENT TOTAL	56	15	26	3	=100
Angry voters	75	10	13	2	=100
e. Expresses anger about illegal immigration					
CURRENT TOTAL	47	21	28	4	=100
Angry voters	65	11	21	3	=100
f. Expresses anger about the Gulf oil spill CURRENT TOTAL	35	14	48	3	=100
Angry voters	39	11	46	4	=100
g. Expresses anger about the health care reform legislation passed earlier this					
year Current Total	45	24	28	3	=100
Angry voters	70	10	17	3	=100

12. Some people see Barack Obama as a leader who is too cool and detached, not showing he cares enough about the big problems facing average Americans today. Others see Barack Obama's coolness as a positive, the right personality for a leader who must deal with such big problems. Which comes closer to your view?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS

<u>Total</u>		Angry voters
39	Too cool and detached	66
53	Coolness is a positive	23
<u>8</u>	Don't know	<u>11</u>
100		100

13. On another subject... Have you seen, heard, or read anything about the Republicans' "Pledge to America?"

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS

	Yes, have	No, have not	Don't know	
CURRENT TOTAL	36	63	1	=100
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Republican RVs	43	56	1	=100
Democrat RVs	27	72	1	=100
Independent RVs	43	56	1	=100
Angry voters	48	52	*	=100

- 13. On another subject... Have you seen, heard, or read anything about the Republicans' "Pledge to America?"
- 14. [ASK REGISTERED VOTERS WHO ARE AWARE OF THE PLEDGE TO AMERICA:] As you may know, some economists and policy analysts have studied the "Pledge to America" and concluded that its proposals either will not succeed in reducing the federal deficit OR will require massive cuts in Social Security and Medicare to succeed. From what you know about it, do you generally agree or generally disagree with such criticism of the "Pledge to America?"

	(VOL.) Haven't seen / Heard Not a					
	Agree	Disagree	enough to say	<u>DK</u>	of Pledge	
CURRENT TOTAL	16	13	6	1	64	=100
Republican RVs	15	19	8	1	57	=100
Democrat RVs	16	8	2	1	73	=100
Independent RVs	21	11	10	2	56	=100
Angry voters	17	22	8	1	52	=100

15. Have you seen, heard, or read anything about the political movement known as the Tea Party?

BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS

CURRENT TOTAL	Yes, have 73	No, have not 26	<u>Don't know</u> 1	=100
Republican RVs	78	21	1	=100
Democrat RVs	65	35	*	=100
Independent RVs	84	15	1	=100
Angry voters	82	18	0	=100

- 15. Have you seen, heard, or read anything about the political movement known as the Tea Party?
- 16. [ASK REGISTERED VOTERS WHO ARE AWARE OF THE TEA PARTY:] From what you know about the Tea Party and what it stands for, would you say you support it, oppose it or have mixed opinions about it?

CURRENT TOTAL	Support 19	Oppose 23	Mixed opinions 29	<u>DK</u> 2	Not aware of <u>Tea Party</u> 27	=100
Republican RVs	36	5	34	3	22	=100
Democrat RVs	3	39	20	3	35	=100
Independent RVs	25	19	38	2	16	=100
Angry voters	42	13	21	6	18	=100

*17. On another subject... As a result of what's happening in the economy, please tell me whether or not you are worried about each of the following. (First,) are you worried about...(**READ AND RANDOMIZE**)?

	Worried	Not worried	(VOL.) Doesn't apply	<u>DK</u>	
a. A major wage earner in your household losing a job CURRENT TOTAL	49	44	6	1	=100
1994 Trend 8/23-25/94	48	44	8	0	=100
b. Affording mortgage payments or rent CURRENT TOTAL 1994 TREND	47	48	4	1	=100
8/23-25/94	41	54	5	*	=100
c. Maintaining your current standard of living CURRENT TOTAL 1994 TREND	63	36	*	1	=100
8/23-25/94	54	46	*	*	=100
d. Financing your children's education CURRENT TOTAL 1994 TREND	45	38	16	1	=100
8/23-25/94	49	32	19	*	=100
e. Having enough savings for retirement CURRENT TOTAL 1994 TREND	66	30	3	1	=100
8/23-25/94	71	27	2	*	=100
f. Being able to pay medical or health care costs CURRENT TOTAL	62	36	1	1	=100
1994 Trend 8/23-25/94	63	36	1	*	=100

18. Considering everything, how worried are you about the economic future facing you and your family? Are you... (READ)

<u>Total</u>		<u>RVs</u>	Angry voters
31	Very worried	31	52
45	Somewhat worried	45	29
16	Not too worried, OR	16	14
8	Not at all worried?	8	5
*	(DO NOT READ) Don't know	<u>*</u>	<u>0</u>
100		100	100

Now I have just a few more questions so we can describe the people who took part in our survey...

D2. In politics TODAY, do you consider yourself a Republican, Democrat, or Independent?

<u>Total</u>		RVs	Angry voters
28	Republican	31	52
36	Democrat	39	14
30	Independent	26	29
3	(VOL.) No party/Not interested in politics	2	3
1	(VOL.) Other party	*	1
<u>2</u>	Don't know	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>
100		100	100

END OF INTERVIEW – THANK RESPONDENT:

That completes the interview. Thank you very much for your cooperation.