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## **July 11, 2012 - Big Marriage Gap Keeps Obama Ahead By A Nose, Quinnipiac University National Poll Finds; American Voters Give Supreme Court Best Scores In DC**

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Driven by a yawning marriage gap, and a 2-1 lead among single women, President Barack Obama gets 46 percent of American voters to 43 percent for Gov. Mitt Romney, largely on the support of singles, according to a Quinnipiac University national poll released today.

Married voters back Romney 51 - 38 percent, while unmarried voters back President Obama 54 - 34 percent, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds. Among married voters, Romney leads 54 - 35 percent among men and 49 - 42 percent among women. Among single voters, Obama leads 47 - 38 percent among men and 60 - 31 percent among women.

Supreme Court Chief Justice John Roberts gets a higher job approval rating, 46 - 34 percent, than the president, who logs a negative 45 - 49 percent score.

The Supreme Court itself gets a 47 - 41 percent approval rating. Voters disapprove 62 - 29 percent of the job Democrats in Congress are doing, and turn thumbs down on congressional Republicans 68 - 24 percent.

"Although much has been made about the gender gap and how President Barack Obama's lead among women fuels his campaign, the marriage gap is actually larger and more telling," said Peter A. Brown, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute. "Overall, President Obama has a 20-point lead among single voters compared to Romney's 13-point margin among married voters.

"The marriage gap may be related to the different priorities and economic situations of married and single people," said Brown. "Married people are more likely to be older, more financially secure and more socially conservative than unmarried voters. The married column includes more Republicans and more white voters."

"Married voters are more likely to focus on the economy and health care, while single voters are more focused on issues such as gay rights and reproductive issues," Brown added.

Obama leads among Democrats 89 - 4 percent, while Romney takes Republicans 89 - 5 percent. Independent voters split with 43 percent for Romney and 41 percent for Obama.

Men go Republican 47 - 40 percent, while women go Democratic 51 - 39 percent. Romney leads 51 - 38 percent among white voters while Obama leads 92 - 2 percent among black voters and 59 - 30 percent among Hispanic voters.

White Catholics back Romney 53 - 38 percent.

The president leads 51 - 41 percent among voters with college degrees, while voters without degrees split 43 - 44 percent.

Both candidates have negative favorability ratings, 45 - 48 percent for Obama and 37 - 41 percent for Romney.

American voters disapprove 55 - 40 percent of the way Obama is handling the economy, but split 45 - 46 percent on whether Obama or Romney would do a better job on the economy. Romney would be better for their own economic future, 47 percent say, while 44 percent pick Obama. By a 50 - 44 percent margin, voters have an unfavorable opinion of Obama's plans for the economy, compared to 46 - 40 percent unfavorable for Romney.

By a small 47 - 44 percent margin, voters approve of the way the president is handling foreign policy. He gets a negative 39 - 52 percent on illegal immigration and a negative 43 - 52 percent on health care.

Romney gains no traction on Obama's negatives as 45 percent say he would do a better job on immigration, compared to 43 percent for Obama. The president would do a better job on health care, 45 percent say, compared to 44 percent for Romney.

Voters say 56 - 41 percent Obama cares about their needs, compared to the 50 - 42 percent who say Romney does not care. By 79 - 16 percent registered voters say Obama is likeable compared to the 65 - 27 percent who say that about Romney.

From July 1 - 8, Quinnipiac University surveyed 2,722 registered voters with a margin of error of +/- 1.9 percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts public opinion surveys in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Florida, Ohio, Virginia and the nation as a public service and for research. For more data or RSS feed- <http://www.quinnipiac.edu/polling.xml>, call (203) 582-5201, or follow us on Twitter.

1. If the election for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, would you vote for the Republican candidate or for the Democratic candidate in your district?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Republican	40%	90%	4%	37%	44%	37%	47%	7%	29%
Democratic	43	3	91	33	38	47	35	84	56
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	-	-	3	3	-	1	-	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	1	-	-	3	2	1	1	-	1

	15	7	5	25	14	15	15	9	15
DK/NA									
WHITE.....									
	COLLEGE DEG						BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No	Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	Yes	No	HsHld
Republican	46%	48%	58%	51%	51%	44%	68%	46%	45%
Democratic	40	32	26	35	31	38	18	37	35
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	1	-	2	-	1	1	2
WLDN 'T VOTE (VOL)	1	2	1	1	2	1	1	1	2
DK/NA	12	17	14	13	14	17	12	16	17

	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Republican	41%	40%	33%	38%	45%	45%	39%	39%	43%
Democratic	46	41	46	45	42	40	44	42	42
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	1	2	1	2	2	2	1
WLDN 'T VOTE (VOL)	1	1	2	2	1	-	2	2	1
DK/NA	12	16	18	13	11	13	14	15	13

TREND: If the election for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, would you vote for the Republican candidate, or for the Democratic candidate in your district? (2011 wording referenced "2012 election", \* High also 40% Mar 2011, Feb 2012)

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Feb 22 2012	Nov 23 2011	Nov 02 2011	High	Low
Republican	40	39	40	36	34	40	34
Democratic	43	40	38	40	42	43	42
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	2	2	3	1	3
WLDN 'T VOTE (VOL)	1	2	2	2	2	1	2
DK/NA	15	17	18	20	19	15	19

2. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Barack Obama the Democrat and Mitt Romney the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	46%	5%	89%	41%	40%	51%	38%	92%	59%
Romney	43	89	4	43	47	39	51	2	30
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	1	2	5	4	2	3	-	4
WLDN 'T VOTE (VOL)	2	-	1	3	3	1	2	1	1
DK/NA	6	5	4	7	6	6	6	6	6

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG						BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No	Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	Yes	No	HsHld
Obama	46%	33%	27%	38%	33%	42%	18%	40%	39%
Romney	47	53	63	53	54	48	72	50	49
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	4	2	2	4	2	3	3	4
WLDN ' T VOTE (VOL)	1	2	1	2	2	1	2	1	3
DK/NA	5	7	6	5	6	6	6	6	5

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Obama	51%	43%	51%	47%	42%	44%	49%	44%	45%
Romney	41	44	36	41	48	47	39	43	46
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	4	2	5	4	3	5	4	2
WLDN ' T VOTE (VOL)	1	2	3	2	1	2	2	2	2
DK/NA	5	7	8	5	6	4	5	7	5

	MARRIED.....			SINGLE.....		
	Tot	Men	Wom	Tot	Men	Wom
Obama	38%	35%	42%	54%	47%	60%
Romney	51	54	49	34	38	31
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	3	2	4	6	2
WLDN ' T VOTE (VOL)	2	2	1	2	3	1
DK/NA	6	6	7	6	5	6

TREND: If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Barack Obama the Democrat and Mitt Romney the Republican, for whom would you vote? (2011 wording referenced "2012 election" / \*High also 47% Jun 2011, Jul 2011)

	OBAMA.....						
	High		Low				
	Jul 11	Apr 19	Feb 22	Nov 22	Nov 02	Nov 02	Oct 05
	2012	2012	2012	2011	2011	2011*	2011
Obama	46	46	46	45	47	47	42
Romney	43	42	44	44	42	42	46
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	2	2	2	2	2	3
WLDN ' T VOTE (VOL)	2	2	4	3	4	4	2
DK/NA	6	7	4	7	5	5	7

3. Compared to past presidential elections, how would you describe your level of enthusiasm about voting in this year's presidential election; are you more enthusiastic than usual, less enthusiastic, or about the same as usual?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
More	35%	47%	32%	30%	37%	34%	36%	39%	29%
Less	22	19	17	28	24	21	24	15	17
About the same	41	32	50	41	38	44	38	46	50
DK/NA	1	2	-	1	2	1	1	1	3

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
More	37%	36%	40%	34%	38%	34%	42%	36%	39%
Less	21	26	22	25	25	23	24	24	24
About the same	41	37	38	39	35	42	34	40	35
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...	AGE IN YRS.....					
	Yes	No			<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34
More	38%	34%	28%	36%	39%	40%	34%	32%	38%
Less	21	23	21	25	23	19	22	24	21
About the same	40	41	50	39	36	39	42	43	40
DK/NA	1	1	2	1	1	1	3	1	1

TREND: Compared to past presidential elections, how would you describe your level of enthusiasm about voting in this year's presidential election; are you more enthusiastic than usual, less enthusiastic, or about the same as usual? (2011 wording referenced "2012 election")

	Jul 11	Apr 19	Feb 22	Nov 22	Nov 02	Oct 5			
	2012	2012	2012	2011	2011	2011	Tot	Rep	Dem
4. Is your opinion of - Mitt Romney favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?									
More Favorable	35%	32%	32%	29%	31%	30%	37%	43%	8%
Less Favorable	22	24	23	23	23	22	41	37	44
About the same	41	43	44	47	45	46	37	33	43
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	1	1
Hvn't hrd enough	19	14	21	21	18	17	19	14	21
REFUSED	3	2	2	4	3	3	3	2	3

TREND: Is your opinion of Mitt Romney favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

FAVORABLE.....  
High Low

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Feb 22 2012	Nov 22 2011	Nov 02 2011	Oct 05 2011	May 03 2007
Favorable	37	33	35	36	35	39	17
Unfavorable	41	38	43	31	35	28	16
Hvn't hrd enough	19	26	19	31	27	31	65
REFUSED	3	3	3	3	2	2	2

5. Is your opinion of - Barack Obama favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	45%	8%	86%	41%	39%	51%	38%	87%	55%
Unfavorable	48	88	8	50	54	42	56	6	33
Hvn't hrd enough	4	2	4	4	3	4	3	4	8
REFUSED	4	2	2	5	3	4	3	3	4

TREND: Is your opinion of Barack Obama favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Feb 22 2012	Nov 22 2011	Nov 02 2011	FAVORABLE.....	
						High Nov 12 2008	Low Oct 05 2011
Favorable	45	45	47	47	49	67	42
Unfavorable	48	49	48	46	46	19	53
Hvn't hrd enough	4	3	2	4	2	11	3
REFUSED	4	3	2	4	2	3	3

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	45%	9%	85%	40%	39%	50%	38%	91%	52%
Disapprove	49	88	11	52	55	43	57	6	37
DK/NA	6	3	3	8	5	6	5	3	12

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry HsHld
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Approve	47%	33%	29%	36%	33%	43%	20%	40%	39%
Disapprove	49	61	66	59	64	51	76	55	57
DK/NA	4	5	4	5	4	6	4	5	4

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... AGE IN YRS.....

	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Approve	51%	42%	49%	44%	41%	46%	48%	45%	43%

Disapprove	44	52	44	49	54	50	46	48	52
DK/NA	5	6	7	7	5	4	5	7	4

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?  
 (\*High also 59% Mar 2009)

	APPROVE.....						
	High		Low				
	Jul 11	Apr 19	Feb 23	Nov 23	Nov 02	Jun 04	Oct 06
	2012	2012	2012	2011	2011	2009*	2011
Approve	45	47	45	44	47	59	41
Disapprove	49	48	49	50	49	31	55
DK/NA	6	5	5	6	4	10	4

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the - Democrats in Congress are handling their job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	29%	8%	63%	19%	25%	33%	23%	65%	41%
Disapprove	62	88	29	74	68	57	69	25	47
DK/NA	8	4	9	8	7	9	7	10	11

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling their job?  
 (\*Low also 24% Sep 2011, Oct 2011)

	APPROVE.....						
	High		Low				
	Jul 11	Apr 19	Feb 23	Nov 23	Nov 02	Mar 4	Nov 23
	2012	2012	2012	2011	2011	2009	2011*
Approve	29	27	26	24	26	45	24
Disapprove	62	63	67	69	70	45	69
DK/NA	8	10	7	7	5	10	7

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the - Republicans in Congress are handling their job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	24%	52%	8%	18%	24%	24%	27%	10%	20%
Disapprove	68	40	86	74	70	66	65	82	69
DK/NA	8	8	6	8	6	9	8	8	11

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job? (\*High also 34% Mar 3, 2011 & Mar 2010)

	APPROVE.....						
	High		Low				
	Jul 11	Apr 19	Feb 23	Nov 23	Nov 02	Mar 31	Nov 23
	2012	2012	2012	2011	2011	2011*	2011
Approve	24	23	22	19	20	34	19
Disapprove	68	66	71	74	76	55	74
DK/NA	8	11	6	7	4	11	7

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the United States Supreme Court is handling its job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	47%	35%	64%	45%	46%	47%	45%	62%	47%
Disapprove	41	54	24	44	44	38	43	23	44
DK/NA	12	11	12	10	10	14	12	16	9

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the United States Supreme Court is handling its job? (\* High also 62% May 2009)

	APPROVE.....						
	High		Low				
	Jul 11	Apr 20	Apr 21	Jun 04	May 29	Jun 04	Jul 17
	2012	2012	2010	2009	2009	2009*	2008
Approve	47	52	49	62	62	62	39
Disapprove	41	31	33	22	22	22	43
DK/NA	12	18	18	16	16	16	18

10. Do you approve or disapprove of the way John Roberts is handling his job as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	46%	33%	62%	46%	48%	44%	44%	61%	47%
Disapprove	34	51	19	32	35	32	36	16	30
DK/NA	20	16	19	22	16	24	19	23	23

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way John Roberts is handling his job as Chief Justice of the Supreme Court?



	Jul 11 2012	Apr 21 2010
Approve	46	49
Disapprove	34	21
DK/NA	20	30

11. Do you feel that Barack Obama deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes/Deserves	47%	8%	89%	42%	41%	51%	38%	92%	60%
No/Does not	49	89	9	53	55	43	57	4	37
DK/NA	5	4	3	5	4	5	5	5	4

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG						BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No	Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	Yes	No	HsHld
Yes/Deserves	46%	34%	29%	38%	33%	43%	20%	40%	40%
No/Does not	50	61	67	58	63	52	75	55	57
DK/NA	5	5	5	4	4	6	5	5	4

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Yes/Deserves	51%	44%	51%	50%	42%	46%	51%	46%	45%
No/Does not	44	51	43	45	55	52	46	49	50
DK/NA	4	5	6	4	3	3	3	4	5

TREND: Do you feel that Barack Obama deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not

deserve to be reelected? (\*High also 47% Jul 2011, Nov 2011)(\*\*Low also 40% Mar 2010)

	YES/DESERVES..						
				High Low			
	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Feb 23 2012	Nov 23 2011	Nov 02 2011	Jul 11 2012*	Jul 21 2010**
Yes/Deserves	47	46	45	45	47	47	40
No/Does not	49	49	50	48	49	49	48
DK/NA	5	5	5	7	4	5	12

12. In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in the nation today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Very satisfied	4%	2%	8%	2%	4%	4%	2%	14%	5%
Smwht satisfied	25	9	47	21	23	28	21	51	31
Smwht dissatisfied	29	26	29	31	29	29	30	23	29
Very dissatisfied	41	63	15	44	44	38	46	10	33
DK/NA	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	1	2

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG							BornAgnEv		Mltry HsHld
	Yes No		Prot Cath		Men Wom		Yes No			
	Yes	No	Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	Yes	No		
Very satisfied	2%	3%	3%	1%	2%	3%	3%	2%	4%	
Smwht satisfied	23	20	18	25	20	22	14	24	18	
Smwht dissatisfied	34	28	27	28	29	31	23	31	29	
Very dissatisfied	40	49	51	46	49	43	60	44	47	
DK/NA	-	1	1	-	-	1	1	-	1	

TREND: In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in the nation today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	COLLEGE DEG							ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME.....			AGE IN YRS.....				
	Yes No		<30K		30-50		50-100		>100K		18-34		35-54		55+
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+						
Very satisfied	2%	5%	6%	3%	3%	3%	High 5%	Low 5%	4%						
Smwht satisfied	28	24	29	29	25	23	20	22	20	23	26	13	23		
Smwht dissatisfied	27	27	27	30	30	30	20	20	20	20	27	27	25		
Very dissatisfied	37	43	37	42	41	41	31	31	31	42	42	47			
DK/NA	4	1	2	4	-	2	-	2	-	21	1	21	1		
Very satisfied	25	28	26	16	17	47	14								
Smwht satisfied	29	29	28	31	30	19	38								
Smwht dissatisfied	41	40	42	50	51	10	44								
Very dissatisfied	1	1	1	1	1	3	2								
DK/NA															

13. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - the economy?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	40%	8%	79%	34%	37%	43%	33%	86%	51%
Disapprove	55	90	19	60	59	52	63	7	45
DK/NA	4	2	2	6	4	5	4	7	4

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the economy? (\* Low also 32% Sep 2011)

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Approve	39%	30%	25%	31%	30%	35%	18%	34%	36%
Disapprove	59	66	71	66	67	60	79	63	61
DK/NA	3	4	4	3	3	4	3	4	3

APPROVE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL	HOUSEHOLD	INCOME...	AGE IN	YRS.....
	Yes	No					
Approve	40	38	41	33	37	57	32
Disapprove	55	56	55	61	60	33	64
DK/NA	4	6	4	6	4	10	4

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	43%	39%	44%	41%	39%	39%	43%	40%	39%
Disapprove	54	56	50	56	57	59	54	56	57
DK/NA	4	5	6	3	4	2	2	4	5

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - foreign policy?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	47%	18%	80%	44%	45%	49%	42%	81%	53%
Disapprove	44	72	13	48	48	39	49	10	34
DK/NA	9	10	8	8	6	12	9	9	12

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Approve	52%	37%	33%	43%	40%	44%	25%	45%	43%
Disapprove	43	52	58	48	54	44	66	46	49
DK/NA	5	11	9	9	6	12	9	9	8

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Approve	55%	43%	45%	50%	46%	53%	47%	49%	46%
Disapprove	40	46	42	42	48	42	44	44	45
DK/NA	5	11	13	8	6	5	10	8	8

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?

	APPROVE.....								
			High			Low			
	Jul 11	Apr 19	Feb 23	Nov 23	Nov 03	Apr 29	Mar 30		
	2012	2012	2012	2011	2011	2009	2011		
15. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - illegal immigration?									
Approve	47	44	46	49	52	57	41		
Disapprove	44	47	46	42	42	32	47		
DK/NA	9	9	8	10	6	11	12		
Approve	39%	10%	70%	35%	37%	41%	32%	74%	48%
Disapprove	52	84	21	54	56	48	59	14	42
DK/NA	9	6	9	10	7	12	9	11	11

	WHITE.....								
	COLLEGE DEG						BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No	Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	Yes	No	HsHld
Approve	42%	27%	24%	33%	30%	33%	16%	35%	34%
Disapprove	51	63	67	61	63	55	75	57	60
DK/NA	7	10	9	7	6	11	8	8	6

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Approve	46%	35%	37%	43%	37%	43%	43%	40%	36%
Disapprove	46	55	50	48	56	52	45	52	55
DK/NA	8	10	14	8	7	5	12	8	8

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling illegal immigration?

	Jul 11 2012	Nov 03 2011	Jan 13 2011	Sep 13 2010	Jul 21 2010
Approve	39	30	30	28	30
Disapprove	52	53	55	60	58
DK/NA	9	16	15	12	12

16. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - health care?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	43%	5%	82%	38%	40%	45%	34%	87%	54%
Disapprove	52	91	15	55	56	49	61	9	41
DK/NA	5	3	3	7	4	5	5	5	6

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry HsHld
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Approve	44%	29%	25%	32%	32%	37%	16%	36%	35%
Disapprove	52	65	72	62	64	58	80	59	60
DK/NA	4	5	4	5	4	5	4	5	5

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... AGE IN YRS.....

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...			AGE IN YRS.....			
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Approve	49%	39%	47%	42%	39%	43%	46%	43%	40%
Disapprove	47	55	47	52	57	54	51	52	55
DK/NA	4	5	5	6	4	3	3	5	5

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling health care? (\*Low also 35% Jan 2010)

	APPROVE.....							
			High		Low			
	Jul 11 2012	Feb 23 2012	Mar 30 2011	Mar 03 2011	Jan 18 2011	Jul 02 2009	Feb 11* 2010	
Approve	43	40	38	40	44	46	35	
Disapprove	52	56	55	56	51	42	58	
DK/NA	5	5	7	4	5	13	6	

17. Is your opinion of the - Republican Party favorable, unfavorable, or haven't you heard enough about it?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	33%	75%	6%	28%	35%	32%	39%	10%	24%
Unfavorable	50	16	77	52	51	49	48	67	46
Hvn't hrd enough	14	8	16	16	11	16	12	22	25
REFUSED	3	2	1	4	3	3	2	1	5

TREND: Is your opinion of the Republican Party favorable, unfavorable, or haven't you heard enough about it? (\*Low also 25% Jul 2009)

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Feb 22 2012	Nov 23 2011	Nov 02 2011	FAVORABLE....	
						High Nov 22 2010	Low Oct 8 2009*
Favorable	33	33	32	31	28	40	25
Unfavorable	50	49	53	54	57	45	53
Hvn't hrd enough	14	16	12	13	13	13	18
REFUSED	3	3	3	3	2	3	4

18. Is your opinion of the - Democratic Party favorable, unfavorable, or haven't you heard enough about it?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	37%	5%	79%	27%	31%	42%	30%	74%	45%
Unfavorable	50	87	10	54	57	43	58	10	32
Hvn't hrd enough	11	7	10	15	9	13	10	14	19
REFUSED	2	1	1	4	3	2	2	1	4

TREND: Is your opinion of the Democratic Party favorable, unfavorable, or haven't you heard enough about it?

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Feb 22 2012	Nov 23 2011	Nov 02 2011	FAVORABLE.....	
						High Nov 12 2008	Low Apr 21 2010
Favorable	37	37	37	35	36	55	32
Unfavorable	50	46	49	51	49	35	52
Hvn't hrd enough	11	15	11	11	13	6	12
REFUSED	2	2	3	3	3	4	3

19. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of - Barack Obama's plans for the

economy? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Strongly favorable	20%	2%	46%	11%	17%	22%	14%	61%	22%
Smwht favorable	24	7	37	27	23	26	23	26	30
Smwht unfavorable	13	16	6	18	15	12	15	2	13
Strongly unfavorable	37	71	5	37	41	33	43	3	24
DK/NA	6	4	6	6	4	8	5	7	10

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	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry HsHld
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Strongly favorable	16%	13%	10%	16%	12%	15%	7%	15%	20%
Smwht favorable	28	20	19	20	21	24	14	22	18
Smwht unfavorable	12	17	15	14	17	14	14	16	11
Strongly unfavorable	40	45	52	46	48	40	61	42	43
DK/NA	4	6	4	5	2	8	4	5	7

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... AGE IN YRS.....

20. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of - Mitt Romney's plans for the economy? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Strongly favorable	12%	18%	18%	18%	17%	21%	20%	20%	20%
Smwht favorable	28	22	26	26	22	24	28	23	23
Smwht unfavorable	12	16	12	14	15	14	11	15	15
Strongly unfavorable	35	38	27	34	42	41	31	37	40
DK/NA	14%	32%	10%	10%	14%	13%	16%	3%	17%
Smwht favorable	26	43	10	29	29	24	29	8	23
Smwht unfavorable	17	7	23	18	16	17	15	22	23
Strongly unfavorable	29	5	52	26	27	30	26	51	22
DK/NA	15	12	13	16	13	16	14	18	15

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	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry HsHld
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Strongly favorable	16%	16%	18%	19%	16%	16%	19%	17%	16%
Smwht favorable	28	30	37	30	32	27	44	28	25
Smwht unfavorable	12	16	12	14	15	14	11	15	15
Strongly unfavorable	32	23	17	25	25	27	11	27	26
DK/NA	12	15	15	12	12	16	14	13	18

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... AGE IN YRS.....

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Strongly favorable	14%	13%	12%	10%	15%	16%	8%	12%	18%
Smwht favorable	25	27	25	25	29	28	32	27	23
Smwht unfavorable	14	10	21	16	15	16	21	17	15
Strongly unfavorable	31	32	21	26	27	27	21	27	26
DK/NA	14%	32%	10%	10%	14%	13%	16%	3%	17%

Strongly unfavorable	14	16	21	16	15	16	21	17	15
Strongly unfavorable	34	26	26	32	29	30	24	29	30
DK/NA	13	16	17	17	11	10	15	14	14

21. Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would - do a better job on the economy, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	45%	6%	88%	39%	41%	49%	37%	92%	54%
Romney	46	88	8	48	50	41	53	4	34
DK/NA	9	6	5	13	9	10	9	4	12

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	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Obama	43%	34%	27%	37%	34%	40%	18%	40%	39%
Romney	50	55	63	57	58	49	72	52	51
DK/NA	7	11	10	6	8	11	11	7	10

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Obama	49%	43%	50%	46%	43%	43%	48%	43%	44%
Romney	44	46	36	46	50	52	44	46	47
DK/NA	7	11	15	8	7	5	8	11	9

TREND: Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would do a better job on the economy, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Feb 22 2012	Nov 22 2011	Nov 02 2011	Oct 06 2011	Sep 01 2011
Obama	45	43	44	41	46	39	42
Romney	46	47	45	46	43	49	46
DK/NA	9	10	11	13	11	11	12

22. Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would - be better for your personal economic future, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?



	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	44%	5%	85%	40%	40%	48%	37%	91%	51%
Romney	47	89	10	48	51	43	55	4	37
DK/NA	9	6	5	11	9	9	9	5	12

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	COLLEGE DEG						BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No	Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	Yes	No	HsHld
Obama	42%	34%	27%	37%	34%	39%	18%	39%	37%
Romney	52	57	65	58	59	51	72	54	52
DK/NA	7	10	8	5	8	9	10	6	11

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Obama	47%	43%	49%	48%	42%	38%	48%	42%	44%
Romney	46	48	39	42	51	57	46	48	48
DK/NA	7	10	12	9	7	5	7	10	8

23. Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would - do a better job on foreign policy, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	47%	11%	83%	46%	45%	49%	41%	84%	57%
Romney	40	79	8	38	44	36	46	3	34
DK/NA	13	10	9	16	11	15	13	13	9

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TREND: Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would do a better job on foreign policy, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	Yes	No	HsHld
Obama	49%	11%	3Apr 1932Oct 061%
Romney	40	79	8
DK/NA	11	14	14
Obama	47	46	43
Romney	40	79	8
DK/NA	11	14	14

  

	Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	Yes	No	HsHld	
Obama	49%	11%	3Apr 1932Oct 061%	40%	42%	23%	44%	40%
Romney	40	79	8	38	44	36	46	3
DK/NA	11	14	14	10	11	16	13	12
Obama	47	46	43					
Romney	40	79	8					
DK/NA	11	14	14					

  

	COLLEGE DEG	ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...	AGE IN YRS.....
Obama	47%	46%	45%
Romney	40	79	8
DK/NA	11	14	14
Obama	47	46	43
Romney	40	79	8
DK/NA	11	14	14

  

	Yes	No	HsHld
Obama	54%	44%	47%
Romney	36	42	35
DK/NA	10	14	19
Obama	54%	44%	47%
Romney	36	42	35
DK/NA	10	14	19

24. Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would - do a better job on immigration, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	43%	6%	81%	39%	39%	47%	35%	81%	62%
Romney	45	84	10	46	51	38	53	8	26
DK/NA	12	10	9	15	10	14	12	11	12

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	Yes	No	HsHld
Obama	45%	30%	26%
Romney	45	57	62
DK/NA	10	13	12
Obama	45%	30%	26%
Romney	45	57	62
DK/NA	10	13	12

	Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	Yes	No	HsHld
Obama	45%	30%	26%	35%	31%	38%	19%
Romney	45	57	62	54	59	47	69
DK/NA	10	13	12	11	9	15	12
Obama	45%	30%	26%	35%	31%	38%	19%
Romney	45	57	62	54	59	47	69
DK/NA	10	13	12	11	9	15	12

TREND: Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would do a better job on immigration, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

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Obama	43	39
Romney	45	43
DK/NA	12	18

25. Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would - do a better job on health care, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	45%	5%	85%	41%	41%	48%	38%	85%	52%
Romney	44	87	8	45	48	41	52	9	31
DK/NA	11	7	7	14	11	11	10	6	17

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry HsHld
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Obama	46%	33%	26%	38%	35%	40%	17%	40%	37%
Romney	46	55	64	53	55	49	71	51	50
DK/NA	7	11	10	10	10	10	11	10	13

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Obama	51%	42%	47%	48%	41%	45%	46%	45%	44%
Romney	41	46	39	42	49	49	48	42	46
DK/NA	8	12	14	10	10	7	6	13	10

TREND: Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would do a better job on health care, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012
Obama	45	44
Romney	44	43
DK/NA	11	13

26. Would you say that - Barack Obama has strong leadership qualities or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	59%	29%	89%	57%	57%	60%	52%	93%	70%
No	39	69	9	41	41	37	45	3	25
DK/NA	3	2	3	2	2	3	2	4	5

WHITE.....									
	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Yes	60%	49%	45%	51%	51%	54%	38%	54%	50%
No	39	49	52	47	47	43	60	44	48
DK/NA	1	3	2	1	2	3	2	2	3

  

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Yes	64%	56%	59%	63%	54%	61%	70%	60%	51%
No	35	41	35	36	44	38	27	38	46
DK/NA	1	3	6	1	2	1	3	2	3

TREND: Would you say that Barack Obama has strong leadership qualities or not?

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Oct 05 2011	Sep 01 2011	Jan 13 2011	Sep 09 2010	Jan 13 2010
Yes	59	60	49	50	64	59	66
No	39	36	49	48	33	38	32
DK/NA	3	4	2	3	3	3	2

27. Would you say that - Mitt Romney has strong leadership qualities or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	59%	82%	38%	62%	61%	58%	64%	30%	58%
No	32	10	53	30	32	32	28	57	30
DK/NA	9	8	8	8	7	10	8	13	12

TREND: Would you say that Mitt Romney has strong leadership qualities or not?

WHITE.....									
	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Yes	60%	49%	45%	51%	51%	54%	38%	54%	50%
No	39	49	52	47	47	43	60	44	48
DK/NA	1	3	2	1	2	3	2	2	3

	2012	2012	2011
Yes	59	61	55
No	32	24	24
DK/NA	9	15	21

28. Would you say that - Barack Obama cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	56%	25%	90%	54%	53%	60%	50%	94%	67%
No	41	72	8	42	45	37	48	2	30
DK/NA	3	3	2	4	2	4	3	5	3

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry HsHld
	Yes	No					Yes	No	
Yes	59%	45%	43%	49%	47%	52%	33%	52%	50%
No	40	52	55	48	51	44	64	46	47
DK/NA	1	4	2	3	2	4	3	3	2

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... AGE IN YRS.....

	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
	Yes	63%	53%	56%	62%	54%	59%	60%	58%
No	35	43	39	34	44	40	37	39	44
DK/NA	2	4	5	3	2	1	3	4	2

TREND: Would you say that Barack Obama cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

29. Would you say that - Mitt Romney cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Feb 22 2012	Oct 05 2011	Sep 01 2011	Nov 12 2008	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	56	57	58	54	54	70	56	57	58	54	54	60	48	13	38
No	41	39	40	43	42	22	42	39	40	43	42	41	48	13	38
DK/NA	3	4	2	3	3	7	3	4	2	3	3	4	7	7	7
Yes	42%	75%	15%	41%	43%	48%	42%	39%	40%	43%	42%	41%	48%	13%	38%
No	50	18	78	50	50	45	50	18	78	50	50	50	45	75	53
DK/NA	8	7	7	9	7	7	8	7	7	9	7	9	7	12	9

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	Men	Wom	BornAgnEv		Mltry HsHld
	Yes	No					Yes	No	

Yes	50%	46%	57%	50%	49%	47%	61%	49%	43%
No	45	46	35	42	46	45	31	44	51
DK/NA	5	8	8	8	6	9	8	7	7

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL	HOUSEHOLD	INCOME...	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	18-34	35-54	55+
Yes	44%	41%	38%	38%	42%	51%	40%	42%	44%
No	49	51	51	54	52	44	52	50	49
DK/NA	6	9	11	8	6	5	8	8	7

TREND: Would you say that Mitt Romney cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

	Jul 11	Apr 19	Feb 22	Oct 05
	2012	2012	2012	2011
Yes	42	44	40	43
No	50	43	50	35
DK/NA	8	13	11	22

30. Would you say Barack Obama is a likable person or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	79%	64%	95%	79%	79%	80%	75%	97%	87%
No	16	32	3	16	17	15	20	-	10
DK/NA	5	5	2	5	4	5	5	3	3

TREND: Would you say Barack Obama is a likable person or not?

	Jul 11	Apr 19	Nov 02
	2012	2012	2011
Yes	79	81	80
No	16	14	18
DK/NA	5	5	2

## 31. Would you say Mitt Romney is a likable person or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	65%	85%	46%	68%	68%	62%	69%	45%	62%
No	27	9	46	24	25	28	23	42	33
DK/NA	8	7	8	8	7	10	8	12	5

## TREND: Would you say Mitt Romney is a likable person or not?

	Jul 11 2012	Apr 19 2012	Nov 02 2011
Yes	65	63	61
No	27	24	22
DK/NA	8	13	17

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