

How the Survey was Conducted

Nature of the Sample: National Poll of 1,042 Adults

This survey of 1,042 adults was conducted on September 13th and September 14th, 2011. Adults 18 years of age and older residing in the continental United States were interviewed by telephone. Telephone numbers were selected based upon a list of telephone exchanges from throughout the nation. The exchanges were selected to ensure that each region was represented in proportion to its population. To increase coverage, this land-line sample was supplemented by respondents reached through random dialing of cell phone numbers. The two samples were then combined. Results are statistically significant within ± 3.0 percentage points. There are 825 registered voters. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ± 3.5 percentage points. There are 317 Republicans and Republican leaning independents. The results for this subset are statistically significant within ± 5.5 percentage points. The error margin increases for cross-tabulations.

Nature of the Sample: Adults

Nature of the Sample - National Adults		
		National Adults
		Col %
National Adults		100%
Registered Voters		79%
Region	Northeast	19%
	Midwest	22%
	South	37%
	West	22%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	51%
	\$50,000 or more	49%
Race	White	67%
	African American	10%
	Latino	11%
	Other	11%
Race	White	67%
	Non-white	33%
Age	Under 45	42%
	45 or older	58%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	22%
	Gen X (31-46)	23%
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	34%
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	21%
Gender	Men	49%
	Women	51%
Interview Type	Landline	72%
	Cell Phone	28%

**Marist Poll National Adults: Interviews conducted September 13th and September 14th, 2011, N=1042
MOE +/- 3%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.**

Nature of the Sample: Registered Voters

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		Registered Voters
		Col %
Registered Voters		100%
Party Identification	Democrat	34%
	Republican	26%
	Independent	39%
	Other	1%
Support Tea Party	Yes	27%
Political Ideology	Liberal	20%
	Moderate	42%
	Conservative	38%
Region	Northeast	18%
	Midwest	24%
	South	38%
	West	21%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	47%
	\$50,000 or more	53%
Race	White	70%
	African American	10%
	Latino	9%
	Other	11%
Race	White	70%
	Non-white	30%
Age	Under 45	32%
	45 or older	68%
Generation	Millennials (18-30)	14%
	Gen X (31-46)	22%
	Baby Boomers (47-65)	39%
	Silent-Greatest (Over 65)	25%
Gender	Men	48%
	Women	52%
Interview Type	Landline	78%
	Cell Phone	22%

Marist Poll National Registered Voters: Interviews conducted September 13th and September 14th, 2011, N=825 MOE +/- 3.5%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.

Nature of the Sample: Republicans and Republican Leaning Independents

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		Republicans and Republican leaning independents
		Col %
Republicans and Republican leaning independents		100%
Party Identification	Republican	66%
	Independent	34%
Support Tea Party	Yes	50%
Household Income	Less than \$50,000	43%
	\$50,000 or more	57%
Age	Under 45	29%
	45 or older	71%
Gender	Men	49%
	Women	51%

Marist Poll National Republicans and Republican Leaning Independents: Interviews conducted September 13th and September 14th, 2011, N=317 MOE +/- 5.5%. Totals may not add to 100 due to rounding.