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**POLL**

**Oct. 19-24, 2011  
Total N= 1,650**

**Oct. 19-25, 2011  
Unemployed N= 445**

*All trends are from New York Times/CBS News polls unless otherwise noted. "UNEMP" indicate results for unemployed Americans.*

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

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	62	15	23
2/18-22/09	63	22	15
3/12-16/09 CBS	62	24	14
3/20-22/09 CBS	64	20	16
4/1-5/09	66	24	10
4/22-26/09	68	23	9
5/6-12/09 CBS	63	26	11
6/12-16/09	63	26	11
7/9-12/09 CBS	57	32	11
7/24-28/09	58	30	13
8/27-31/09 CBS	56	35	9
9/19-23/09	56	33	11
10/5-8/09 CBS	56	34	10
11/13-16/09 CBS	53	36	11
12/4-8/09	50	39	11
1/6-10/10 CBS	46	41	13
1/14-17/10 CBS	50	40	10
2/5-10/10	46	45	9
3/18-21/10 CBS	49	41	10
3/29-4/1/10 CBS	44	41	15
4/5-12/10	50	40	10
4/28-5/2/10	51	39	10
5/20-24/10 CBS	47	43	10
6/16-20/10	47	43	10
7/9-12/10 CBS	44	44	12
8/20-24/10 CBS	48	44	8
9/10-14/10	45	47	8
10/1-5/10 CBS	44	45	11
10/21-26/10	45	47	8
11/7-10/10 CBS	45	45	10
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	48	42	10
1/15-19/11	49	39	12
2/11-14/11 CBS	48	41	11
3/18-21/11 CBS	49	41	10
4/15-20/11	46	45	8
5/2-3/11	57	37	6
6/3-7/11 CBS	48	43	9
6/24-28/11	47	44	9
8/2-3/11	48	47	5
9/10-15/11	43	50	7
9/28-10/2/11 CBS	44	44	12
10/19-24/11	46	46	8
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>11</b>

2. Do you feel things in this country are generally going in the right direction or do you feel things have pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

	Right	Wrong	DK/NA		Right	Wrong	DK/NA
1/27-28/91 CBS	51	39	10	3/9-12/06 CBS	28	66	9
3/4-6/91	51	42	7	4/28-30/06 CBS	24	71	5
10/15-18/91	33	60	7	5/4-8/06	23	70	7
11/27-28/94 CBS	30	65	5	6/10-11/06 CBS	27	69	4
12/3-6/95 NYT	25	64	10	7/21-25/06	28	66	6
12/8-11/96 NYT	39	51	11	8/17-21/06	29	67	4
9/16-18/96 CBS	41	48	11	10/27-31/06	29	64	7
2/19-21/98	54	36	9	12/8-10/06 CBS	24	70	6
9/8-10/98	49	42	10	1/1-3/07 CBS	27	68	5
10/12-13/98	46	47	7	1/18-21/07 CBS	26	69	5
10/26-28/98	52	42	7	2/8-11/07 CBS	26	68	6
5/10-13/00	48	44	7	2/23-27/07	23	68	9
3/8-12/01	40	54	6	3/7-11/07	25	69	6
4/23-25/01 CBS	37	58	5	5/18-23/07	24	72	4
6/14-18/01	42	53	5	6/26-28/07 CBS	19	75	6
10/25-28/01	61	29	10	7/9-17/07	22	72	6
12/7-10/01	64	27	10	9/4-8/07	24	71	4
1/24-27/02	52	35	12	12/5-9/07	21	71	8
7/13-16/02	42	48	10	1/9-12/08	19	75	6
7/22-23/02 CBS	39	53	8	3/28-4/2/08	14	81	5
8/6-7/02 CBS	41	51	8	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	14	83	3
9/2-5/02	43	49	8	7/7-14/08	14	81	5
10/3-6/02	42	48	10	9/12-16/08	14	81	5
10/27-31/02	41	52	8	10/10-13/08	7	89	4
11/20-24/02	41	49	10	10/19-22/08	11	85	4
2/10-12/03	35	56	9	10/25-29/08	11	85	4
3/22/03	50	40	10	12/4-8/08 CBS	12	83	5
4/11-13/03	56	36	9	1/11-15/09	15	79	6
9/28-10/1/03	37	56	7	2/2-4/09 CBS	23	68	9
7/13-27/03	46	49	5	3/12-16/09 CBS	35	57	8
11/10-12/03 CBS	39	53	8	4/1-5/09	39	53	7
12/10-13/03	39	56	5	4/22-26/09	41	50	9
12/14-15/03	49	43	8	5/6-12/09 CBS	45	48	7
1/12-15/04	42	53	5	6/12-16/09	44	50	6
2/12-15/04 CBS	41	51	8	7/9-12/09 CBS	35	57	8
3/10-14/04	38	54	8	7/24-28/09	42	49	9
3/30-4/1/04 CBS	36	57	7	9/19-23/09	41	53	6
4/23-27/04	36	55	9	12/4-8/09	37	56	7
5/20-23/04 CBS	30	65	5	1/14-17/10 CBS	36	55	9
6/23-27/04	36	57	6	2/5-10/10	33	62	5
7/11-15/04	36	56	8	4/5-12/10	34	59	7
8/15-18/04 CBS	39	55	6	5/4-5/10 CBS	33	58	9
9/12-16/04	41	51	7	5/20-24/10 CBS	32	61	7
9/20-22/04 CBS	41	54	5	6/16-20/10	32	60	8
10/1-3/04	40	51	9	9/10-14/10	33	60	6
10/14-17/04	37	59	4	10/1-5/10 CBS	32	63	5
10/28-30/04	43	55	2	10/21-26/10	34	61	5
11/18-21/04	40	54	6	11/7-10/10 CBS	29	62	9
1/14-18/05	39	56	5	1/15-19/11	32	64	4
2/24-28/05	42	52	6	2/11-14/11 CBS	36	58	6
3/9-14/05 NYT	37	56	7	3/18-21/11 CBS	30	64	6
4/13-16/05 CBS	32	62	6	4/15-20/11	26	70	5
5/20-24/05 CBS	34	60	6	6/3-7/11 CBS	31	60	9
6/10-15/05	33	61	6	6/24-28/11	28	63	9
7/29-8/2/05 CBS	37	57	6	7/22-24/11 CBS	22	70	8
9/9-13/05	31	63	6	9/10-15/11	23	72	5
10/3-5/05 CBS	37	58	5	9/28-10/2/11 CBS	19	73	8
10/30-11/1/05 CBS	27	68	5	10/19-24/11	19	73	8
12/2-6/05	31	60	9	<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>9</b>
1/5-8/06 CBS	31	62	7				
1/20-25/06	32	61	7				

3. What do you think is the most important problem facing this country today?

	12/09	2/10	4/10	6/10	9/10	1/11	4/11	6/11	9/11	10/11	10/11 UNEMP
Health Care	12	13	8	5	3	6	6	4	3	2	3
Oil Spill in Gulf				13							
Budget Deficit	2	4	5	5	3	6	15	7	8	5	6
Education	1	-	1	1	2	2	2	2	1	2	2
Medicare/ Medicaid	-	-	-	-		1	-	-	-	-	
Taxes	-	-	-	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	1
Economy	23	25	23	20	32	23	18	27	27	24	22
Immigration	1	1	1	3	2	3	2	1	1	2	4
Defense	1	2	1	1	2	1	-	1	1	-	-
Poverty	3	-	4	1	-	1	1	1	2	1	1
Crime	-	-	-	1	-	2		-		1	-
Foreign Policy	-	-	-	-	-	-		-	-	1	-
Jobs	24	27	27	20	28	28	21	26	32	33	40
Abortion	-		1	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	
Moral Values	3	1	2	1	1	1	3	1	2	-	
Welfare	-	-	-							1	
President	-	1	-	2	2	2	1	1	2	1	2
War	4	3	1	2	2	2	4	3	2	1	2
Iraq	2	-	2	-	-	-		-		-	
Afghanistan	2	-	1	1	1	-		1		-	
Politicians/ Government*			4	7	4	3	1	4	2	3	9
Heating oil/Gas	-		-	-			5	-	-	-	
Environment	-	-	1	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	
Religious Values	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	
Terrorism general	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	-	1	-	
Other	16	16	11	11	11	12	13	11	14	17	8
DK/NA	5	4	5	3	4	5	5	4	1	4	-

\*Coding for Politicians/Government is not comparable to polls conducted before 4/10

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

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	50	15	35
2/18-22/09	57	17	26
4/1-5/09	59	19	22
4/22-26/09	59	23	18
6/12-16/09	59	23	19
7/9-12/09 CBS	53	30	17
7/24-28/09	54	24	23
10/5-8/09 CBS	48	28	24
11/13-16/09 CBS	50	36	14
1/14-17/10 CBS	49	38	13
2/5-10/10	47	34	19
4/28-5/2/10	48	38	14
7/9-12/10 CBS	44	41	15
11/7-10/10 CBS	46	37	17
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	40	45	15
1/15-19/11	46	32	22
2/11-14/11 CBS	46	33	21
3/18-21/11 CBS	47	36	17
4/15-20/11	39	46	15
5/2-3/11	52	34	15
6/3-7/11 CBS	47	37	16
10/19-24/11	50	31	19
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>30</b>

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

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/2-4/09 CBS	55	24	21
2/18-22/09	57	32	11
3/12-16/09 CBS	56	33	11
3/20-22/09 CBS	61	29	10
4/1-5/09	56	34	10
4/22-26/09	61	29	10
5/6-12/09 CBS	56	33	11
6/12-16/09	57	35	7
7/9-12/09 CBS	48	44	8
7/24-28/09	51	41	9
8/27-31/09 CBS	53	41	6
9/19-23/09	50	40	10
10/5-8/09 CBS	54	38	8
11/13-16/09 CBS	49	43	8
12/4-8/09	47	43	10
1/6-10/10 CBS	41	47	12
1/14-17/10 CBS	46	48	6
2/5-10/10	42	52	5
3/18-21/10 CBS	45	45	10
3/29-4/1/10 CBS	42	50	8
4/5-12/10	43	46	11
4/28-5/2/10	48	47	6
5/20-24/10 CBS	43	48	9
6/16-20/10	45	48	7
7/9-12/10 CBS	40	54	6
8/20-24/10 CBS	44	48	8
9/10-14/10	41	51	8
10/1-5/10 CBS	38	50	12
10/21-26/10	42	50	8
11/7-10/10 CBS	40	53	7
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	43	50	7
1/15-19/11	41	52	7
2/11-14/11 CBS	42	50	8
3/18-21/11 CBS	39	53	8
4/15-20/11	38	57	5
5/2-3/11	34	55	11
6/3-7/11 CBS	37	56	7
6/24-28/11	39	52	9
9/10-15/11	34	57	9
9/28-10/2/11 CBS	35	53	12
10/19-24/11	38	56	5
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>9</b>

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation with Iraq?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
2/18-22/09	54	24	22
3/12-12/09 CBS	61	23	16
4/1-5/09	59	25	16
4/22-26/09	63	20	16
7/9-12/09 <sup>1</sup> CBS	60	26	14
9/19-23/09	54	29	17
1/14-17/10 CBS	48	38	14
3/19-4/1/10 CBS	49	34	17
8/20-24/10 CBS	52	37	11
10/21-24/11	60	30	10
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>52</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>15</b>

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

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
12/4-8/09	38	47	15
1/15-19/11	37	54	10
9/10-15/11	40	53	8
10/19-24/11	35	58	7
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>11</b>

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

	Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA		Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
8/16-19/90	40	44	16	2/24-26/02 CBS	50	34	16
10/8-10/90	27	60	13	6/18-20/02 CBS	43	40	17
10/28-31/90	23	69	8	7/13-16/02	49	38	14
1/27-28/91	49	41	10	9/22-23/02 CBS	48	36	16
3/4-6/91	39	47	14	10/3-6/02	42	45	13
8/18-22/91	30	57	13	10/27-31/02	45	40	15
10/5-7/91	27	57	16	5/9-12/03	35	48	16
10/15-18/91	29	57	14	7/13-27/03	39	46	15
1/22-25/92	17	71	11	9/28-10/1/03	37	47	16
2/26-3/1/92	21	67	12	1/12-15/04	45	42	13
3/26-29/92	17	75	7	10/14-17/04	38	46	16
7/8-11/92	20	71	9	1/14-18/05	44	39	17
3/28-31/93	35	52	13	2/24-28/05	41	44	15
5/27-29/93	27	61	12	3/21-22/05 CBS	34	49	17
6/1-3/93	27	60	13	4/13-16/05 CBS	35	51	14
8/2-3/93 CBS	21	68	11	5/20-23/05 CBS	29	55	16
9/16-19/93	23	64	13	6/10-15/05	33	53	14
11/11-14/93	25	63	12	7/13-14/05 CBS	33	50	17
12/5-7/93 CBS	27	60	13	9/9-13/05	34	54	12
1/15-17/94	30	58	13	10/3-5/05 CBS	31	57	12
8/16-17/94	22	67	11	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	34	53	13
9/8-11/94	25	63	12	12/2-6/05	33	53	14
10/29-11/1/94	20	73	7	1/5-8/06 CBS	27	57	16
1/10-20/95 CBS	35	44	21	1/20-25/06	29	61	11
2/22-25/95	36	51	13	2/22-26/06 CBS	28	61	11
3/12-14/95	31	54	15	3/9-12/06 CBS	32	54	14
4/1-4/95	30	60	10	4/6-9/06 CBS	27	61	12
5/4-6/95 CBS	33	55	12	5/4-8/06	23	64	13
8/5-9/95	31	56	13	6/10-11/06 CBS	26	60	14
10/22-25/95	32	55	13	7/21-25/06	28	58	14
12/9-11/95	26	64	10	8/17-21/06	29	60	11
1/18-20/96 CBS	31	60	9	9/15-19/06	25	61	14
2/22-24/96	22	70	8	10/5-8/06	27	64	9
3/10-11/96 CBS	26	64	10	10/27-31/06	29	56	15
3/31-4/2/96	23	66	11	1/18-21/07 CBS	33	49	18
5/31-6/3/96	19	71	10	2/8-11/07 CBS	32	52	16
6/20-23/96 NYT	29	61	9	2/23-27/07	33	50	17
7/11-13/96	27	58	15	3/7-11/07	31	53	16
8/3-5/96	32	52	16	4/9-12/07 CBS	34	54	12
9/2-4/96	32	55	13	5/18-23/07	35	52	13
1/14-17/97	45	45	10	6/26-28/07 CBS	27	60	13
4/2-5/97	32	59	9	7/9-17/07	29	59	12
5/6-8/97 CBS	42	44	14	7/20-22/07	26	61	13
7/13-14/97 CBS	34	55	11	8/8-12/07 CBS	25	63	12
11/2-3/97 CBS	36	53	11	9/4-8/07	23	66	11
12/6-8/97	34	52	14	10/12-16/07 CBS	27	59	14
1/10-12/98	44	40	16	12/5-9/07	21	64	15
1/18-21/98 CBS	42	41	17	4/25-29/08	21	68	11
1/24-25/98	47	43	10	9/27-30/08 CBS	15	72	13
2/19-21/98	50	30	20	10/10-13/08	12	74	14
5/19-21/98 CBS	41	42	17	10/19-22/08	17	70	13
7/19-21/98	40	42	18	2/2-4/09 CBS	26	62	12
9/8-10/98 CBS	49	38	13	2/18-22/09	26	63	12
9/12-15/98 CBS	55	34	12	3/12-16/09 CBS	30	56	14
9/22-23/98	48	41	10	3/20-22/09 CBS	30	56	14
10/3-4/98 CBS	47	38	15	4/1-5/09	26	64	10
10/7-8/98 CBS	46	44	10	4/22-26/09	28	55	16
10/12-13/98	43	48	9	7/9-12/09 CBS	22	65	13
10/26-28/98	41	49	10	8/27-31/09 CBS	26	58	16
10/31-11/1/98 CBS	41	48	11	10/5-8/09 CBS	22	65	13
12/13-17/98	44	49	6	10/29-11/1/09 CBS	18	70	12
12/19-20/98	42	53	5	11/13-16/09 CBS	26	60	14
1/3-4/99 CBS	41	51	8	1/14-17/10 CBS	23	63	14
1/10-13/99 CBS	43	46	11	2/5-10/10	15	75	10
1/30-2/1/99	45	46	9	3/18-21/10 CBS	14	76	10
2/12/99 CBS	46	46	8	3/29-4/1/10 CBS	16	74	10
3/24/99 CBS	43	47	10	4/5-12/10	17	73	10
3/28/99 CBS	41	47	12	5/20-24/10 CBS	15	77	8
4/5-6/99	43	45	12	6/16-20/10	19	70	11
6/5-6/99 CBS	41	46	13	8/20-24/10 CBS	22	71	7
7/13-14/99 CBS	41	41	18	9/10-14/10	21	70	9
8/1-3/99 CBS	43	41	16	10/1-5/10 CBS	18	71	11
8/15/99 CBS	42	44	14	10/21-26/10	14	76	10
10/3-4/99 CBS	38	48	14	11/29-12/2/10 CBS	17	72	11
10/25-30/99 CBS	36	52	12	2/11-14/11 CBS	24	62	14
11/4-7/99	37	50	13	3/18-21/11 CBS	21	66	13
2/12-14/00	39	47	13	4/15-20/11	16	75	9
5/10-13/00	38	45	18	6/3-7/11 CBS	18	72	10
7/20-23/00	45	41	14	6/24-28/11	20	70	10
9/27-10/1/00	49	38	13	8/2-3/11	14	82	3
2/10-12/01 CBS	48	31	21	9/10-15/11	12	80	8
3/8-12/01	50	33	17	9/28-10/2/11 CBS	11	80	9
4/23-25/01 CBS	44	37	19	10/19-24/11	9	84	7
5/10-12/01 CBS	45	36	19	<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>9</b>
6/14-18/01	45	39	16				
10/25-28/01	67	24	9				
12/07-10/01	57	31	12				
1/21-24/02	47	37	15				





9. Do you think the economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

	Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA		Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
1/92A	8	47	44	1	7/29-8/2/05 CBS	20	32	47	1
1/92B	9	45	44	1	9/9-13/05	13	47	38	2
2/92B	13	38	48	1	10/30-11/1/05 CBS	16	40	44	
3/92	20	26	53	1	12/2-6/05	19	35	45	1
4/92	18	31	50	1	1/5-8/06 CBS	20	37	43	
7/92	12	33	54	1	1/20-25/06	17	38	44	1
8/92A	10	36	53	1	3/9-12/06	13	39	47	1
9/92A	10	33	55	2	5/4-8/06	14	47	39	1
10/92A	9	38	51	1	7/21-25/06	12	47	41	1
10/92C	12	37	49	2	9/15-19/06	17	36	46	1
10/92D	17	33	48	2	10/5-8/06	19	31	49	1
10/92E	17	32	49	2	10/27-31/06	16	38	44	
12/92	29	17	51	3	2/8-11/07 CBS	15	34	49	2
1/93	26	18	55	1	2/23-27/07	11	35	51	2
2/93	32	15	51	2	4/9-12/07 CBS	11	44	44	1
3/93	21	19	58	2	5/18-23/07	11	43	44	2
6/93A	13	26	60	1	7/9-17/07	12	41	45	2
8/93 CBS	12	30	56	2	9/4-8/07	8	49	43	1
9/93	14	26	58	1	10/12-16/07 CBS	9	45	44	2
11/93	19	24	57	1	12/5-9/07	5	53	40	2
1/94	31	17	57	1	1/9-12/08	4	62	33	1
4/94	24	25	50	1	1/30-2/2/08 CBS	6	67	26	1
7/94	22	21	56	1	2/20-24/08	3	63	32	1
9/94	23	27	50	1	3/15-18/08 CBS	2	75	21	2
11/94	20	26	53	1	3/28-4/2/08	4	70	25	1
1/95 CBS	24	22	53	1	4/25-29/08	4	70	24	1
2/95	27	20	53	1	5/30-6/3/08 CBS	3	69	27	1
3/95	18	27	53	2	7/7-14/08	3	67	29	1
8/95	14	27	58	1	9/12-16/08	6	61	32	1
10/95	13	27	57	2	9/21-24/08	2	70	26	2
2/95	16	26	56	2	9/27-30/08 CBS	2	76	20	2
1/96	13	31	54	2	10/3-5/08 CBS	3	75	21	1
2/96	14	29	55	2	10/10-13/08	5	67	26	2
4/96	14	32	53	2	10/19-22/08	11	57	30	2
6/96	13	29	57	1	10/25-29/08	8	57	32	3
6/96 NYT	18	22	58	1	12/4-8/08 CBS	8	60	29	3
9/96	23	21	54	2	1/11-15/09	7	54	37	2
7/96	16	27	55	2	2/2-4/09 CBS	5	51	42	2
8/96C	17	23	57	3	2/18-22/09	8	51	40	1
10/96	26	19	53	2	3/12-16/09 CBS	19	41	37	3
11/96	24	19	55	2	4/1-5/09	20	34	43	3
12/96	19	21	57	2	4/22-26/09	26	25	48	2
1/97	24	19	56	1	5/6-12/09 CBS	32	23	44	1
4/97	16	25	57	1	6/12-16/09	27	25	46	2
11/97 CBS	23	19	55	3	7/9-12/09 CBS	21	33	45	1
12/97	29	18	51	2	7/24-28/09	32	22	45	1
1/98	32	13	55	1	8/27-31/09 CBS	36	25	38	1
10/98A	20	26	53	2	9/19-23/09	36	17	46	-
10/98B	23	21	53	2	10/5-8/09 CBS	31	18	50	1
2/00	30	15	52	2	11/13-16/09 CBS	32	25	42	1
1/01 CBS	11	39	49	1	12/4-8/09	29	23	47	1
2/01 CBS	8	46	44	2	1/6-10/10 CBS	31	19	49	1
3/8-12/01	7	41	49	2	1/14-17/10 CBS	24	28	48	
4/01 CBS	9	48	41	2	2/5-10/10	24	29	45	2
5/01 CBS	10	44	44	2	4/5-12/10	33	23	43	1
6/14-18/01	9	40	50	1	4/28-5/2/10	41	15	43	1
9/20-23/01	8	55	35	2	5/20-24/10	30	28	42	
10/25-28/01	14	37	46	2	6/16-20/10	28	24	48	-
12/07-10/01	19	34	45	2	7/9-12/10 CBS	25	26	48	1
1/5-6/02 CBS	26	27	44	3	8/20-24/10 CBS	20	34	44	2
1/21-24/02	18	33	48	1	9/10-14/10	22	30	48	1
5/13-14/02CBS	31	18	51	-	10/1-5/10 CBS	22	27	50	1
7/13-16/02	14	41	44	2	10/21-26/10	25	28	46	1
10/3-5/02	13	39	46	2	11/29-12/2/10 CBS	31	24	44	1
10/27-31/02	17	34	48	1	1/15-19/11	30	21	46	2
11/20-24/02	19	30	50	2	2/11-14/11 CBS	32	22	45	1
1/19-22/03	17	39	44	1	3/18-21/11 CBS	26	26	47	1
4/11-13/03	17	31	49	2	4/15-20/11	23	39	38	1
5/9-12/03	22	28	49	1	6/3-7/11 CBS	24	31	44	1
7/13-27/03	22	31	46	1	6/24-28/11	20	31	48	1
8/26-28/03 CBS	25	31	43	1	9/10-15/11	12	43	44	1
9/28-10/1/03	24	29	46	1	9/28-10/2/11 CBS	12	40	46	2
12/10-13/03	34	24	41	1	10/19-24/11	14	36	49	1
12/14-15/03	39	19	39	2	10/19-25/11 UNEMP	20	40	40	-
1/12-15/04	34	26	39	1					
2/12-15/04 CBS	33	27	39	1					
3/10-14/04	28	27	43	2					
5/20-23/04 CBS	23	32	43	2					
6/23-27/04	28	23	47	1					
9/12-16/04	26	27	45	2					
10/14-17/04	24	33	42	1					
11/18-21/04	26	29	44	1					
1/14-18/05	25	29	45	1					
2/24-28/05	23	30	46	1					
6/10-15/05	18	36	45	2					

10. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right – just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

	Always	Most	Some	Never(vol.)	DK/NA	Always/Most	Some/Never
2/76 <sup>1</sup>	7	29	55	5	4	36	60
6/76 <sup>1</sup>	4	30	58	5	3	33	64
9/76	5	35	52	4	5	40	56
4/77	6	29	62	3		35	62
10/77	4	28	62	2	3	33	64
11/79	3	26	64	3	3	30	68
3/80	3	22	69	2	4	26	71
11/80 <sup>1</sup>	4	35	57	2	3	39	58
6/83 NYT	7	43	46	1	3	51	46
11/83 NYT	6	38	51	1	3	44	53
11/84B	4	41	51	1	3	46	51
2/85 NYT	5	41	49	3		47	50
11/85 <sup>2</sup>	8	41	42	7	2	49	49
1/86	5	37	54	1	3	42	55
11/86	7	42	46	3	2	49	49
1/87	7	37	52	2	3	43	54
2/87	6	35	54	2	2	42	56
10/87	5	35	55	2	3	41	57
11/88B	4	40	52	2	2	44	54
1/89	6	38	53	1	1	44	54
4/90	6	32	53	4	5	38	57
10/90B	3	22	70	2	2	25	73
3/91	7	40	50	2	2	46	52
10/92C*	1	22	72	3	2	23	75
1/93	2	22	73	3	1	24	75
11/94	2	20	76	2	1	22	78
2/95	2	16	77	4	1	18	81
8/95	3	17	75	4	2	20	79
11/96	2	23	70	3	2	25	73
1/97	1	22	72	4	1	23	76
1/98	3	23	71	3	1	26	74
10/98B	2	24	70	3	1	26	73
10/25-28/01	10	45	42	2	2	55	44
12/7-10/01	5	42	49	2	1	47	51
1/21-24/02	5	41	51	2	1	46	53
7/13-16/02	5	33	57	4	1	38	61
9/2-5/02	5	33	57	4	2	38	61
7/13-27/03	4	32	60	3	1	36	63
7/11-15/04	4	36	56	3	1	40	59
9/9-13/05	3	26	63	6	1	29	69
12/2-6/05	2	30	65	2	1	32	67
1/20-25/06	5	27	63	4	1	32	67
9/15-19/06	1	26	65	6	2	27	71
10/5-8/06	2	26	66	4	1	28	70
7/9-17/07	2	22	71	5	1	24	76
10/10-13/08	1	16	74	9	1	17	83
6/12-16/09	3	17	73	6	1	20	79
8/27-31/09 CBS	2	21	68	7	2	23	75
2/5-10/10	3	16	74	7	1	19	81
4/5-12/10	4	16	70	8	2	20	78
10/1-5/10 CBS	1	17	73	8	1	18	81
10/21-26/10	2	19	67	11	1	21	78
10/19-24/11	1	9	77	12	1	10	89
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>85</b>

<sup>1</sup> Question read: How much of the time do you think you can trust the government to do what's right—just about always, most of the time, only some time, or none of the time?

<sup>2</sup> Question read: How much do you trust the government in Washington to do what is right— just about always, most of the time, only some of the time, or almost never?

11. Over the next few months, do you think the U.S. economy is probably headed into another recession, or do you think the U.S. economy is probably not headed into another recession?

	Headed into another recession	Will not happen	Already in one(vol.)	DK/NA
9/10-15/11	48	39	5	8
10/19-24/11	44	40	5	11
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>18</b>

12. Who or what do you think is most to blame for the current high unemployment rate in the U.S.?

	12/4-8/09	12/5-10/09 UNEMPLOYED	8/20-24/10 CBS	10/19-24/11	10/19-25/11 UNEMP
George W. Bush	20	26	15	9	8
Banks	9	12	5	3	4
Jobs going overseas	9	8	7	8	9
Politicians	14	8	18	28	19
Barack Obama	4	3	5	8	5
Business executives/CEOS	4	5	7	1	3
Wall Street	3	5	4	2	2
Recession/Bad economy	2	1	5	3	2
Consumers	2			-	1
Other	16	16	16	23	32
DK/NA	17	16	18	15	15

13. Just from what you've seen or heard, do you think the jobs that your community has lost in this recession will probably come back when the economy improves, or do you think they were jobs that will probably never come back?

	Jobs will come back	Jobs will never come back	Some will come back, some won't(vol.)	DK/NA
12/4-8/09 <sup>1</sup>	52	35	10	3
12/5-10/09 <sup>1</sup> UNEMP	46	40	10	4
10/19-24/11	44	41	10	5
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>

<sup>1</sup> Question began "In your own community..."

15. Do you feel that the distribution of money and wealth in this country is fair, or do you feel that the money and wealth in this country should be more evenly distributed among more people?

	Fair	Should be more even	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	26	66	9
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>6</b>

16. Do you think Barack Obama does or does not have a clear plan for creating jobs?  
**QUESTIONS 16 AND 17 WERE ROTATED.**

	Does	Does not	DK/NA
2/5-10/10	39	56	5
6/16-20/10	34	54	12
9/10-14/10	38	53	9
10/21-26/10	42	53	5
11/7-10/10 CBS	38	54	8
1/5-9/11 CBS	33	59	8
9/10-15/11	43	52	5
10/19-24/11	38	56	6
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>7</b>

17. Do you think the Republicans in Congress do or do not have a clear plan for creating jobs? **QUESTIONS 16 AND 17 WERE ROTATED.**

	Does	Do not	DK/NA
11/7-10/10 CBS	30	58	12
1/5-9/11 CBS	28	61	11
9/10-15/11	24	67	9
10/19-24/11	20	71	9
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>72</b>	<b>13</b>

18. How confident are you that Congressional Republicans and Democrats will be able to come to an agreement on job creation – very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident or not at all confident?

	Very	Somewhat	Not too	Not at all	DK/NA
9/10-15/11 <sup>1</sup>	3	28	45	22	3
10/19-24/11	3	25	41	32	1
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>1</b>

<sup>1</sup> Question asked about "a job creation package"

19. In general, do you think the policies of the Obama Administration favor the rich, favor the middle class, favor the poor, or do they treat all groups equally? **QUESTIONS 19 AND 20 WERE ROTATED.**

	Favor rich	Favor middle class	Favor poor	Treat equally	DK/NA
4/1-5/09	12	25	15	40	8
2/5-10/10	22	24	18	25	11
4/5-12/10	17	19	27	27	9
8/20-24/10 CBS	27	18	17	28	10
10/19-24/11	28	23	17	21	10
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>12</b>

20. In general, do you think the policies of the Republicans in Congress favor the rich, favor the middle class, favor the poor, or do they treat all groups equally? **QUESTIONS 19 AND 20 WERE ROTATED.**

	Favor rich	Favor middle class	Favor poor	Treat equally	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	69	9	2	15	6
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>82</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>3</b>

21. Regardless of how you usually vote, do you think the Republican party or the Democratic party is more likely to create new jobs?

	Republican	Democratic	Both(vol.)	Neither(vol.)	DK/NA
5/9-12/03	32	54	3	3	8
7/13-27/03	31	51	2	5	11
11/10-12/03* CBS	31	45	2	7	15
12/10-13/03	31	51	4	3	12
12/14-16/03	35	46	2	1	16
7/11-15/04	33	54	3	3	8
12/4-8/09	31	42	3	11	12
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	24	45	3	14	14
2/5-10/10	36	42	5	8	9
9/10-14/10*	38	44	1	8	8
10/21-26/10	39	37	2	8	15
6/24-28/11	36	43	2	8	11
9/10-15/11	32	40	3	14	11
10/19-24/11	34	38	3	15	9
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>15</b>

22. Do you think it is still possible to start out poor in this country, work hard, and become rich?

	Possible	Not possible	DK/NA
1/16-19/83	57	38	5
2/22-24/96	70	27	3
3/20-21/96 CBS	78	18	4
2/6-10/00 CBS	84	13	3
7/13-27/03	70	27	2
6/26-28/07 CBS	81	18	1
4/1-5/09	72	24	4
2/24-27/09	82	15	3
10/19-24/11	75	24	2
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>1</b>

23. Do you think the future of the next generation of Americans will be better, worse, or about the same as life today?

	Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
6/26-29/89 <sup>1</sup>	25	52	18	5
3/4-6/91 <sup>1</sup>	36	26	35	3
10/5-7/91 <sup>1</sup>	20	52	25	3
1/22-25/92 <sup>1</sup>	26	48	22	4
10/29-11/1/92 <sup>1</sup>	18	57	21	4
3/9-12/95	16	58	20	6
2/6-10/00 CBS <sup>1</sup>	44	27	27	3
6/21-27/00	40	31	26	3
10/27-31/02	29	39	27	5
9/15-19/06	30	38	28	4
6/26-28/07 CBS	25	48	24	3
3/28-4/2/08	33	34	29	4
3/12-16/09 CBS	35	32	26	7
5/6-12/09 CBS	25	42	28	5
2/5-10/10	25	46	26	3
5/20-24/10 CBS	20	50	25	5
10/21-26/10	22	51	23	5
10/19-24/11	21	46	29	4
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>6</b>

<sup>1</sup> Question read: Do you think the future for the next generation of Americans will be better, worse, or about the same as life today?

33. Which of these should be the higher priority for the nation right now - cutting government spending or creating jobs?

	Cutting spending	Creating jobs	Both(vol.)	DK/NA
3/18-21/11 CBS	26	63	11	
8/2-3/11	29	62	8	1
9/10-15/11	29	56	14	1
10/19-24/11	29	58	11	1
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>67</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>3</b>

34. In order to try to create jobs, do you think it is probably a good idea or a bad idea to significantly cut payroll taxes for working Americans?

	Good idea	Bad idea	DK/NA
9/10-15/11	56	30	14
10/19-24/11	51	37	12
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>12</b>

35. Do you think it is probably a good idea or a bad idea for the federal government to provide money to state governments so they can avoid layoffs of public employees? **QUESTIONS 35 AND 36 ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE N=229**

	Good idea	Bad idea	DK/NA
9/10-15/11	52	40	8
10/19-24/11	53	39	9
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>10</b>

36. Do you think it is probably a good idea or a bad idea for the federal government to provide money to state governments so they can avoid layoffs of workers such as teachers, police, and firefighters? **QUESTIONS 35 AND 36 ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE N=216**

	Good idea	Bad idea	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	65	29	6
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>5</b>

37. In order to try to create jobs, do you think it is probably a good idea or a bad idea to spend money on the nation's infrastructure such as bridges, airports, and schools?

	Good idea	Bad idea	DK/NA
9/10-15/11	80	16	4
10/19-24/11	80	15	5
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>1</b>

38. In order to try to create jobs, do you think it is probably a good idea or a bad idea to significantly cut taxes for small businesses?

	Good idea	Bad idea	DK/NA
9/10-15/11	81	14	4
10/19-24/11	78	18	4
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>6</b>

39. In order to try to create jobs, do you think it is probably a good idea or a bad idea to repeal or reduce existing regulations on U.S. businesses?

	Good idea	Bad idea	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	50	31	19
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>12</b>

40. In order to try to create jobs, do you think it is probably a good idea or a bad idea to lower taxes for large corporations?

	Good idea	Bad idea	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	27	67	6
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>74</b>	<b>7</b>



41. How concerned are you that in the next 12 months you or someone else in your household might be out of work and looking for a job - very concerned, somewhat concerned, or not concerned at all?

	Very	Somewhat	Not at all	DK/NA
3/31-4/2/96	37	25	37	1
9/2-4/96	21	26	51	2
10/3-5/02	31	20	48	1
4/23-27/04	33	25	41	1
5/20-23/04 CBS	31	29	40	-
6/23-27/04	28	27	45	-
9/12-16/04	30	26	44	-
10/14-15/04*	20	26	54	-
6/10-15/05	20	18	61	1
9/12-16/08	21	23	56	-
10/10-13/08	23	28	49	1
10/19-22/08	35	26	38	1
10/25-29/08	37	31	32	-
1/11-15/09	30	32	38	-
2/2-4/09 CBS	44	28	27	1
2/18-22/09	38	26	35	1
3/12-15/09 CBS	30	30	39	1
4/1-5/09	44	26	30	1
4/22-26/09	32	26	42	1
6/12-16/09	36	28	35	1
7/9-12/09 CBS	40	29	30	1
7/24-28/09	36	26	38	-
8/27-31/09 CBS	26	28	45	1
9/19-23/09	30	28	42	1
12/4-10/09	20	37	43	-
2/5-10/10	31	26	41	2
4/5-12/10	36	26	37	-
4/28-5/2/10	34	30	35	1
6/16-20/10	32	25	41	2
7/9-12/10 CBS	31	29	39	1
8/20-24/10 CBS	40	30	29	1
9/10-14/10	40	22	37	1
10/21-26/10	36	26	38	-
1/15-19/11	41	25	34	-
2/11-14/11 CBS	33	26	40	1
3/18-21/11 CBS	31	27	41	1
6/3-7/11 CBS	30	25	44	1
6/24-28/11	31	29	39	1
9/10-15/11	38	25	37	-
9/28-10/2/11 CBS	36	30	34	-
10/19-24/11	35	27	38	-
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>-</b>

42. Do you think Congress should try to repeal the health care law that was passed last year, or should they let it stand? IF REPEAL, ASK: Should they repeal the entire law or only certain parts?

	Repeal entire law	Repeal certain parts	Let stand	DK/NA
9/10-15/11	30	17	40	12
10/19-24/11	25	20	41	15
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>24</b>

43. In order to lower the nation's budget deficit, do you think taxes should be increased on households earning one million dollars a year or more, or should the government address the budget deficit without increasing taxes on those households?

	Should be increased	Should not be increased	DK/NA
9/28-10/2/11 CBS	64	30	6
10/19-24/11	65	30	5
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>5</b>

44. Currently, after state unemployment benefits run out, the federal government pays extended unemployment benefits for up to 99 weeks depending on how high a state's unemployment rate is. How long should the federal government continue to pay extended unemployment benefits? - 1. up to 99 weeks, 2. more than 99 weeks, 3. less than 99 weeks, or 4. should the government not extend state unemployment benefits at all?

	Should pay up to 99 weeks	Should pay more than 99 weeks	Should pay less than 99 weeks	Shouldn't extend state benefits	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	33	15	21	22	8
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>

45. Do you think most people who receive unemployment benefits are less motivated to look for a job, or does receiving unemployment benefits not affect their motivation to look for a job?

	Less motivated	No effect	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	54	37	9
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>10</b>

46. How much have you heard or read about the protests and rallies being held in New York City and in other cities, called Occupy Wall Street - a lot, some, not much or nothing at all?

	A lot	Some	Not much	Not at all	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	34	36	14	15	-
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>-</b>

47. Is your opinion of the Occupy Wall Street movement favorable, not favorable, undecided, or haven't you heard enough about the Occupy Wall Street movement yet to have an opinion?

	Favorable	Not favorable	Undecided	Haven't heard enough	Refused
10/19-24/11	25	20	17	36	1
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>3</b>

48. From what you have heard or read, would you say you generally agree or disagree with the views of the Occupy Wall Street movement?

	Agree	Disagree	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	43	27	30
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>35</b>

49. Regardless of your opinion, do you think the views of people involved in the Occupy Wall Street movement generally reflect the views of most Americans, or not?

	Reflect most Americans	Do not reflect most Americans	Both/some do(vol.)	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	46	34	2	18
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	55	19	-	26

52. Are you currently employed - either full-time or part-time - or are you temporarily out of work, or are you not in the market for work at all? IF NOT IN MARKET FOR WORK, ASK: Are you currently retired, or not?

	Currently employed	Temporarily out of work	Not in the market for work	Retired	DK/NA
10/19-25/11	62	6	13	18	1

53. Are you employed full-time or part-time? IF PART TIME, ASK: Are you working part-time by choice or because you are unable to find full-time work? **BASED ON EMPLOYED RESPONDENTS**

	Full-time	Part-time by choice	Part-time, unable to find full-time work	DK/NA
10/19-25/11	79	14	7	-

54. When we last spoke with you, you were temporarily out of work. How long were you out of work and actively seeking employment before finding a job - less than 3 months, 3 to 6 months, 7 to 11 months, 1 to 2 years or more than 2 years? **BASED ON FORMERLY UNEMPLOYED RESPONDENTS**

	10/19-25/11
Less than 3 months	25
3-6 months	23
7-11 months	21
1-2 years	23
More than 2 years	7
Wasn't out of work (vol.)	-
DK/NA	-

55. In your current job, are you earning more income and benefits than you earned in your previous job, less income and benefits or about the same income and benefits as you did in your previous job? **BASED ON FORMERLY UNEMPLOYED RESPONDENTS**

	More	Less	Same	More income/less benefits(vol.)	Less income/more benefits(vol.)	DK/NA
10/19-25/11	20	36	23	8	8	5

56. Compared to your last long-term job, does your current job involve the same kind of work you had been doing, or a slightly different kind of work, or a very different kind of work than you had been doing? **BASED ON FORMERLY UNEMPLOYED RESPONDENTS**

	Same	Slightly different	Very different	DK/NA
10/19-25/11	43	19	38	

58. How secure do you feel that you can continue in your job as long as you want – very secure, somewhat secure, not very secure, or not at all secure? **BASED ON EMPLOYED RESPONDENTS**

	Very	Somewhat	Not very	Not at all	DK/NA
10/19-25/11	49	39	8	4	-

59. In the last 12 months, as a result of bad economic conditions, have your salary or wages been reduced, or not? **BASED ON EMPLOYED RESPONDENTS**

	Yes	No	DK/NA
10/19-25/11	27	73	-

**QUESTIONS 61-95 ASKED OF UNEMPLOYED RESPONDENTS ONLY**

61. How long have you been out of work and actively seeking employment?

	10/19-25/11 UNEMP
Less than 1 month	15
1-3 months	31
3-6 months	13
7-11 months	13
1-2 years	15
More than 2 years	11
Other	1
DK/NA	1

62. How confident are you that you will find long-term employment in the next 12 months – very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

	Very	Somewhat	Not too	Not at all	DK/NA
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	23	31	32	9	5

63. Were you laid off or did you quit your last job?

	10/19-25/11 UNEMP
Laid off/Fired	81
Quit	13
Recent graduate/Never worked (vol.)	1
Combination/Other (vol.)	3
Injury/Illness (vol.)	1
DK/NA	1

64. Would you say your last job was a white collar job, a blue-collar job, or something else?

	White collar	Blue collar	Something else	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	33	44	19	4
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>3</b>

65. When you were last employed, were you the highest wage earner in your household, or weren't you?

	Yes, highest wage earner	No	DK/NA
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>-</b>

67. While looking for long-term employment, have you done any occasional, temporary or part-time work, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>66</b>	<b>1</b>

68. Compared to when you first became unemployed, would you say you NOW spend more time, less time or about the same amount of time searching for a new job?

	More	Less	Same	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	48	18	30	4
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>5</b>

69. Overall, thinking about most of the jobs you are applying for, would you say you have more qualifications than the jobs require, the right amount of qualifications the jobs require or only some of the qualifications the jobs require?

	More	Right amount	Some	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	39	35	24	2
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>3</b>

70. Have you seen any available jobs that you think you would be hired for but are not willing to apply for? IF YES, ASK: Did you not want to apply MAINLY because the wages are too low or the work is something you would not like to perform, or is there some other reason?

	Yes, wages too low	Yes, don't want to do work	Yes, some other reason	No	DK/NA
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>1</b>

72. In general, what do you think is the main reason you have not gotten most of the jobs you have applied for?

	10/19-25/11 UNEMP
Someone else was a better fit	3
Too many other applicants/too much competition	21
Not enough experience	10
Did not have the skills necessary/Underqualified	6
Did not have the education necessary for the job	1
Could not perform the physical labor required	1
Overqualified/Overeducated	5
They weren't hiring external candidates/Already had someone in mind	6
Racism	-
Too young/too old/ageism	9
My salary needs were too high	3
Been out of work too long/not interested in unemployed candidates	1
Could not work the hours required/childcare issues	2
My appearance/they don't like how I look	4
Other	17
DK/NA	11

73. As a result of being unemployed, would you consider moving to another part of the state or country where there might be more jobs, or would you not consider moving?

	Would consider	Would not	DK/NA
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	40	59	1

74. **IF WOULD CONSIDER MOVING, ASK:** Since becoming unemployed, have you applied for a job in another part of the state or country that would require you to move, or haven't you applied for a job that would require you to move?

	Yes, have applied	No, have not	DK/NA
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	15	24	-

75. Since becoming unemployed, have you participated in any job re-training programs or educational opportunities, or not?

	Yes, have participated	No, have not	DK/NA
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	36	63	1

76. Do you expect that in your next job, you will receive higher income and more benefits, lower income and less benefits or about the same income and benefits that you received in your last job? **IF HIGHER OR LOWER, ASK:** Do you think it will be a lot HIGHER/LOWER or somewhat HIGHER/LOWER?

	A lot higher	Somewhat higher	About same	Somewhat lower	A lot lower	DK/NA
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	11	7	44	21	9	8

77. As a result of being unemployed, have you taken money out of any savings account, including retirement savings, in order to make ends meet, or haven't you taken money out of savings?

	Yes	No	Didn't have savings(vol.)	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	60	31	9	
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>40</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-</b>

78. As a result of being unemployed, have you borrowed money from family members or friends, or haven't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	53	47	
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>-</b>

79. As a result of being unemployed, has your household's credit card debt increased, decreased or stayed about the same? IF INCREASED, ASK: Would you say it has increased a lot, or only a little?

	Increased, a lot	Increased, a little	Decreased	Stayed same	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	12	12	10	48	18
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>48</b>	<b>26</b>

80. As a result of being unemployed, have you received food from a non-profit organization or religious institution, or haven't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	20	80	
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>2</b>

81. As a result of being unemployed, have you been threatened with foreclosure or eviction for not paying your mortgage or rent, or haven't you? IF YES: Did you lose your home, or didn't you?

	Yes, lost home	Yes, did not lose home	No	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	13	13	74	
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>2</b>

82. As a result of being unemployed, have you had to move out of your home and stay with a friend or relative, or haven't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>-</b>

Are you now married, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?

	Married	Widowed	Divorced	Separated	Never married
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>42</b>

84. Is your spouse currently employed – either full time or part time – or is your spouse temporarily out of work, or not in the market for work at all? IF NOT IN MARKET FOR WORK, ASK: Is your spouse currently retired, or not? **BASED ON MARRIED RESPONDENTS**

	Currently employed	Temporarily out of work	Not in the market for work	Retired	DK/NA
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	67	16	10	6	1

85. As a result of your being unemployed, has your spouse worked additional hours or an additional job? **BASED ON RESPONDENTS WITH AN EMPLOYED SPOUSE**

	Yes	No
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	24	76

86. Are you currently receiving unemployment benefits from the government, or aren't you? IF NOT, ASK: Did you receive unemployment benefits at any point since becoming unemployed, or not?

	10/19-25/11 UNEMP
Currently receiving benefits	38
Did receive benefits, but no longer	15
Didn't receive benefits	44
Get disability benefits (vol.)	-
DK/NA	2

87. Did your benefits run out, or did you stop receiving benefits for another reason? **BASED ON THOSE NO LONGER RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

	Benefits ran out	Stopped for another reason	DK/NA
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	56	35	9

88. Compared to your previous income, are the unemployment benefits you receive about equal to your previous income, slightly less than your previous income or a lot less than your previous income? **BASED ON THOSE RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

	About equal	Slightly less	A lot less	More(vol.)
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	2	21	76	-

89. Are the unemployment benefits you receive enough to cover the costs of your basic necessities like housing and food, or not? **BASED ON THOSE RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

	Enough	Not enough
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	39	61
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	34	66

90. How likely do you think it is that your unemployment benefits will run out before you find a new job – very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not at all likely? **BASED ON THOSE RECEIVING UNEMPLOYMENT BENEFITS**

	Very	Somewhat	Not very	Not at all	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	40	35	14	8	3
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	33	37	6	16	7



91. Do you have some form of health insurance or health care coverage, or not?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	52	47	1
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>1</b>

92. Do you not have health insurance because you are unemployed, or do you not have health insurance for another reason? **BASED ON UNINSURED RESPONDENTS**

	Because unemployed	Another reason	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	80	20	
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>75</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>-</b>

93. As a result of being unemployed, have you had more conflicts or arguments than usual with your family and friends, or haven't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	48	52	-
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>35</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>-</b>

94. As a result of being unemployed, have you experienced any emotional or mental health issues, such as anxiety or depression, or haven't you?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	48	52	
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>54</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>-</b>

95. Some people who are unemployed say they feel embarrassed or ashamed as a result of being out of work. Have you felt embarrassed or ashamed about being out of work? IF YES: How often do you feel that way – most of the time, some of the time, or hardly ever?

	Yes, most of time	Yes, some of time	Yes, hardly ever	No	DK/NA
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	28	18	8	46	
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>1</b>

97. How would you rate the financial situation in your household these days? Is it very good, fairly good, fairly bad or very bad?

	Very good	Fairly good	Fairly bad	Very bad	DK/NA
11/10-16/88	12	69	13	5	2
10/8-10/90	14	70	11	4	1
7/21-25/06	12	64	17	5	1
4/20-24/07	14	69	13	4	1
2/20-24/08	18	60	15	6	1
3/28-4/2/08	9	63	20	7	1
7/7-14/08	13	61	19	7	1
8/15-19/08	15	56	20	8	1
1/11-15/09	10	63	19	8	1
2/18-22/09	12	55	21	11	1
4/1-5/09	10	56	21	12	1
12/4-8/09	13	56	20	11	1
2/5-10/10	9	58	24	8	1
4/5-12/10	9	64	16	9	2
6/16-20/10	10	56	25	8	1
7/9-12/10 CBS	11	54	25	10	
3/18-21/11 CBS	8	61	20	10	1
6/3-7/11 CBS	10	55	24	11	
6/24-28/11	11	65	18	6	1
10/19-24/11	10	59	23	7	1
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>-</b>

98. In the past year, have you made cutbacks in your day-to-day spending? IF YES, ASK: Did you cut back on luxury items or necessities?

	Yes, luxuries	Yes, necessities	No	Both luxuries & necessities(vol.)	DK/NA
4/1-5/09	40	10	19	31	-
12/4-8/09	41	10	21	28	-
12/5-10/09 UNEMP	31	8	7	54	
10/19-24/11	44	10	17	29	-
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>-</b>

99. When you reach retirement age, do you think you will have enough money to live comfortably, or not?

	Yes	No	Already retired(vol.)	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	32	49	12	8
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>63</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>

101. If you were asked to use one of these five names for your social class, which would you say you belong in – upper class, upper-middle class, middle class, working class, or lower class?

	Upper	Upper-middle	Middle	Working	Lower	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	1	10	38	39	12	1
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>46</b>	<b>27</b>	

102. Do you ever feel as if you're at risk of falling out of your current social class?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	40	58	2
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>3</b>

103. Have you ever served in the United States military or the military reserves? IF YES, ASK: Did you serve in the military or military reserves since September 11, 2001, or did you serve before September 11, 2001?

	Yes, served since 9/11	Yes, served before 9/11	No, never served in military	DK/NA
10/19-24/11	4	11	85	-
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>91</b>	<b>-</b>

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

	Yes	No	DK/NA
4/5-12/10	18	62	19
5/20-24/10 CBS	20	59	21
7/9-12/10 CBS	27	56	17
8/20-24/10 CBS	29	54	17
9/10-14/10	19	63	19
10/21-26/10	24	63	14
11/7-10/10 CBS	31	58	11
11/29-12/2/10 CBS	22	68	10
2/11-14/11 CBS	20	63	17
3/18-21/11 CBS	23	64	13
4/15-20/11	24	66	10
6/24-28/11	26	64	10
8/2-3/11	18	73	10
9/10-15/11	20	65	15
10/19-24/11	24	66	10
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>64</b>	<b>18</b>

Some people think of themselves as evangelical or born again Christians. Do you ever think of yourself in either of these ways?

	Yes	No	DK/NA
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>77</b>	<b>3</b>

What is your religious preference today?

	Protestant	Catholic	Jewish	Muslim	Other	None	DK/NA
<b>10/19-25/11 UNEMP</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>3</b>

Generally speaking, do you usually consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

	Rep	Dem	Ind	DK/NA		Rep	Dem	Ind	DK/NA
1/92A	29	35	31	5	3/8-12/01	31	35	29	5
1/92B	28	32	35	5	6/14-18/01	27	36	30	7
2/92A	32	37	27	4	10/25-28/01	32	37	23	8
2/92B	30	33	32	5	12/7-10/01	30	32	30	8
3/92	30	38	27	5	1/21-24/02	28	34	31	7
4/92	30	38	27	5	4/28-5/1/02	33	37	23	8
5/92A	30	33	31	6	7/13-16/02	28	34	33	5
6/92	33	33	29	5	9/2-5/02	29	35	26	10
7/92	29	34	32	5	10/3-5/02	27	38	28	7
7/92B	26	38	28	8	10/27-31/02	31	34	28	7
8/92A	28	33	33	5	11/20-24/02	29	32	31	8
8/92D	27	32	33	8	1/19-22/03	29	32	33	6
8/92E	28	35	29	8	2/10-12/03	28	34	31	6
9/92A	28	34	33	5	3/7-9/03	29	32	30	9
10/92A	29	35	31	5	4/11-13/03	31	30	32	6
10/92C	29	36	31	5	7/13-27/03	27	32	34	7
10/92D	28	37	31	4	9/28-10/1/03	31	35	30	4
10/92E	28	38	29	5	12/10-13/03	27	33	35	6
12/92	28	39	28	5	12/14-15/03	28	31	35	6
1/93	30	36	28	6	1/12-15/04	28	32	33	8
2/93	28	36	30	6	3/10-14/04	31	30	32	7
3/93	26	37	30	7	4/23-27/04	29	35	29	7
5/93A	29	34	29	8	6/23-27/04	29	35	29	7
6/93A	29	34	32	5	7/11-15/04	29	37	30	4
6/93B	31	37	27	5	9/12-16/04	33	31	29	7
9/93	26	36	32	6	10/1-3/04	29	34	28	10
11/93	29	38	29	4	10/14-17/04	30	34	29	7
1/94	30	30	34	6	10/28-30/04	30	35	30	6
2/94	28	33	32	7	11/18-21/04	29	36	30	5
3/94	30	34	29	7	1/14-18/05	31	34	28	8
4/94	32	32	30	6	2/24-28/05	29	36	29	6
7/94	27	35	31	6	6/10-15/05	28	34	31	6
9/94	28	36	34	3	9/9-13/05	26	36	28	9
11/94	31	34	29	6	12/2-6/05	28	32	33	7
12/94	31	32	29	7	1/20-25/06	29	34	33	4
2/95	30	33	32	5	5/4-8/06	25	37	34	4
4/95	30	30	34	6	7/21-25/06	31	33	30	5
8/95	30	35	29	6	8/17-21/06	30	35	27	8
9/95	28	33	30	9	9/15-19/06	30	32	32	5
10/95	31	35	27	7	10/5-8/06	30	35	30	6
12/95	32	35	26	6	10/27-31/06	28	35	31	7
12/95	27	33	33	7	2/24-27/07	25	35	33	6
1/96	29	35	31	5	3/7-11/07	27	35	33	6
2/96	30	35	31	4	4/20-24/07	24	34	36	6
4/96	31	36	28	5	5/18-23/07	29	37	32	3
6/96	27	39	29	5	7/9-17/07	28	34	34	4
6/96 NYT	26	37	32	5	7/20-22/07	24	32	36	9
7/96	31	34	29	6	9/4-8/07	31	32	33	5
8/96	32	41	24	3	12/5-9/07	26	35	31	8
8/96C	30	34	28	8	1/9-12/08	28	40	27	5
9/96	29	36	29	6	2/20-24/08	27	38	29	6
10/96	28	40	25	7	3/28-4/2/08	26	41	27	6
10/96C	28	37	27	7	4/25-29/08	27	37	31	5
11/96	28	38	28	7	5/1-3/08	29	39	27	5
12/96	28	39	24	9	7/7-14/08	26	37	31	6
1/97	29	32	33	6	8/15-20/08	29	37	26	8
4/97	29	36	26	8	9/12-16/08	28	39	26	7
1/98	27	34	30	8	9/21-24/08	28	34	32	6
1/98B	26	35	31	7	10/10-13/08	28	36	29	7
2/98	31	32	30	8	10/19-22/08	26	41	28	5
4/98	28	31	33	8	10/25-29/08	30	37	27	5
6/98	28	32	30	10	1/11-15/09	21	39	31	8
7/98	28	35	30	7	2/18-22/09	26	36	32	5
8/98	26	37	29	8	4/1-5/09	23	39	30	7
9/98B	26	35	31	7	4/22-26/09	20	38	36	6
9/98C	27	35	32	6	6/12-16/09	24	38	31	8
10/98A	24	37	32	7	7/24-28/09	20	34	39	7
10/98B	27	39	28	6	9/19-23/09	22	37	33	7
12/98	27	37	30	6	12/4-8/09	27	36	29	8
1/99	25	37	33	5	2/5-10/10	28	30	37	5
4/99	30	34	28	7	4/5-12/10	28	31	33	7
11/99	28	37	30	5	4/28-5/2/10	25	34	31	10
2/00	28	37	28	6	6/16-20/10	24	34	33	9
5/00	31	34	27	7	9/10-14/10	25	35	33	7
7/00B	31	36	26	7	10/21-26/10	28	37	31	4
9/00A	31	33	27	9	1/15-19/11	27	34	32	6
9/00D	28	37	27	8	4/15-20/11	25	33	34	7
10/00	29	35	30	7	6/24-28/11	26	33	34	6
11/00	27	36	29	9	8/2-3/11	24	32	39	4
					9/10-15/11	26	33	32	8
					10/19-24/11	25	35	34	5
					10/19-25/11 UNEMP18	35	40	7	7

How would you describe your views on most political matters? Generally, do you think of yourself as liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	Lib	Mod	Con	DK/NA		Lib	Mod	Con	DK/NA
1/92A	19	41	34	6	7/00B	22	43	30	5
1/92B	21	43	30	5	9/00A	20	42	32	6
2/92A	19	39	36	6	9/00D	20	42	32	5
2/92B	20	43	31	6	12/7-10/01	23	39	33	4
3/92	20	47	30	4	1/21-24/02	22	44	29	5
4/92	18	44	33	4	4/28-5/1/02	22	38	35	6
5/92A	21	40	34	4	7/13-16/02	21	44	32	4
6/92	23	39	32	6	9/2-5/02	20	39	36	5
7/92	20	42	32	6	10/3-5/02	18	45	34	3
7/92B	21	41	30	8	10/27-31/02	20	38	37	5
8/92A	20	45	30	6	11/20-24/02	20	44	30	6
8/92D	22	44	27	7	1/19-22/03	19	45	32	3
9/92A	19	46	31	4	2/10-12/03	21	41	35	3
10/92C	22	39	34	5	3/7-9/03	18	45	35	3
10/92D	21	39	33	6	4/11-13/03	19	45	33	3
10/92E	21	40	33	6	7/13-27/03	22	40	34	5
2/92	20	41	34	5	9/28-10/1/03	19	42	34	5
1/93	18	45	32	6	12/10-13/03	20	45	31	4
2/93	23	41	31	5	12/14-15/03	19	39	37	5
3/93	22	39	34	5	1/12-15/04	20	43	31	5
5/93A	21	41	33	5	3/10-14/04	21	40	34	5
6/93A	19	43	32	6	4/23-27/04	22	42	30	6
6/93B	19	44	31	6	6/23-27/04	21	42	32	5
9/93	19	43	34	4	7/11-15/04	22	41	34	3
11/93	21	41	33	5	9/12-16/04	20	40	36	4
1/94	17	44	34	6	10/1-3/04	24	36	35	6
2/94	18	41	34	7	10/14-17/04	19	42	33	6
3/94	21	38	35	5	10/28-30/04	17	42	35	5
4/94	19	42	33	6	11/18-21/04	22	41	33	4
9/94	20	42	35	4	1/14-18/05	20	41	33	6
11/94	20	41	35	4	2/24-28/05	23	38	35	5
12/94	18	40	36	6	6/10-15/05	20	43	33	4
2/95	19	39	37	4	9/9-13/05	18	43	34	5
4/95	19	42	34	5	12/2-6/05	18	45	32	5
8/95	19	40	35	5	1/20-25/06	21	45	30	4
9/95	20	39	33	8	5/4-8/06	25	37	34	4
12/95	32	35	26	6	7/21-25/06	21	39	36	4
12/95	27	33	33	7	8/17-21/06	24	38	33	5
10/95	16	44	34	5	9/15-19/06	17	43	35	4
12/95	17	46	33	4	10/5-8/06	23	39	34	3
12/95	15	46	34	5	10/27-31/06	20	45	30	5
1/96	20	42	35	4	2/24-27/07	20	42	33	6
2/96	17	45	34	4	3/7-11/07	20	40	36	4
4/96	18	47	31	4	4/20-24/07	21	42	33	5
6/96	19	46	29	6	5/18-23/07	20	43	32	5
6/96	16	48	32	4	7/9-17/07	19	44	33	4
7/96	20	42	34	3	7/20-22/07	15	48	31	5
8/96	17	47	30	6	9/4-8/07	22	42	32	4
8/96C	18	43	33	6	12/5-9/07	22	43	31	4
9/96	16	44	34	6	1/9-12/08	25	39	32	4
10/96	16	47	31	7	2/20-24/08	23	41	29	6
10/96C	18	45	32	6	3/28-4/2/08	21	39	34	5
11/96	15	48	32	6	4/25-29/08	22	41	33	4
12/96	17	40	35	8	5/1-3/08	15	49	32	4
1/97	17	46	33	4	7/7-14/08	22	41	32	5
4/97	19	42	34	5	8/15-20/08	24	36	35	5
12/97	21	42	33	5	9/12-16/08	24	39	33	4
1/98	19	40	33	7	9/21-24/08	22	38	36	4
2/98	21	42	33	4	10/10-13/08	18	49	29	4
4/98	18	42	35	5	10/19-22/08	21	39	33	7
6/98	20	39	34	7	10/25-29/08	22	38	33	7
7/98	20	42	33	5	1/11-15/09	21	43	30	6
8/98	21	43	31	5	2/18-22/09	20	38	36	6
9/98	21	41	34	5	4/1-5/09	23	39	31	7
9/98C	21	41	31	6	4/22-26/09	22	42	29	7
10/98B	20	41	33	5	6/12-16/09	27	37	29	7
12/98	20	41	34	5	7/24-28/09	22	41	30	7
1/99	20	45	30	4	9/19-23/09	21	39	36	4
4/99	19	46	29	6	12/4-8/09	21	36	38	5
11/99	22	43	31	5	4/28-5/2/10	21	34	38	6
2/00	21	44	31	4	6/16-20/10	18	42	35	5
5/00	21	41	34	4	9/10-14/10	19	40	36	5
7/00	22	38	33	7	10/21-26/10	19	37	38	5
					1/15-19/11	20	41	35	4
					4/15-20/11	26	32	36	6
					6/24-28/11	22	37	34	7
					8/2-3/11	22	43	32	2
					10/19-24/11	22	38	35	4
					10/19-25/11 UNEMP	32	37	26	5

How old are you?

	18-29	30-44	45-64	Over 64	Refused
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	32	32	32	3	-

What was the last grade in school you completed?

	Not a H.S. grad	H.S. grad	Some college	College grad	Post Grad	Refused
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	8	46	31	11	4	-

Are you of Hispanic origin or descent, or not?

	Hispanic	Not Hispanic	DK/NA
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	7	91	1

Are you white, black, Asian or some other race?

	White	Black	Asian	Other	Refused
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	67	16	2	13	2

Was your total family income in 2010 UNDER or OVER \$50,000? IF UNDER, ASK: Was it under \$15,000, between \$15,000 and \$30,000, or between \$30,000 and \$50,000? IF OVER, ASK: Was it between \$50,000 and \$75,000 or between \$75,000 and \$100,000 or was it over \$100,000?

	Under \$15,000	\$15,000- \$29,999	\$30,000- \$49,999	\$50,000- \$74,999	\$75,000- \$100,000	Over \$100,000	Refused
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	29	23	21	9	9	7	1

	Male	Female
10/19-25/11 UNEMP	58	42