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Colorado

Total N = 1,432

Registered N = 1,318

Likely voters N = 1,254

Virginia

Total N = 1,472

Registered N = 1,347

Likely voters N = 1,288

Wisconsin

Total N = 1,545

Registered N = 1,424

Likely voters N = 1,327

All results are among likely voters unless otherwise noted.

How much attention have you been paying to the election campaign for President - a lot, some, only a little, or none at all? (Among registered voters)

		A lot	Some	Only a little	None	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	55	28	12	5	1
	9/11-17/12	64	24	9	3	-
	10/4-9/12	68	22	7	3	-
VA	7/31-8/6/12	54	29	14	3	
	9/11-17/12	63	24	10	2	-
	10/4-9/12	69	20	8	4	
WI	7/31-8/6/12	48	31	15	7	
	8/15-21/12	53	29	13	4	-
	9/11-17/12	58	26	12	4	-
	10/4-9/12	61	25	9	5	-

Most people do not vote in every election. How likely is it that you will vote in the Presidential election in November - have you already voted, would you say you will definitely vote, probably vote, possibly not vote, or definitely not vote? (Among registered voters)

		Already voted ¹	Def. vote	Prob. vote	Possibly not vote	Def. not vote	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	NA	90	7	2	1	-
	9/11-17/12	NA	91	5	3	-	-
	10/4-9/12	NA	92	5	2	1	1
VA	7/31-8/6/12	NA	89	8	2	1	-
	9/11-17/12	NA	90	7	2	-	-
	10/4-9/12	2	92	4	2	-	-
WI	7/31-8/6/12	NA	88	8	2	2	1
	8/15-21/12	NA	86	9	4	1	-
	9/11-17/12	NA	91	7	1	1	-
	10/4-9/12	2	87	7	2	1	-

¹ NOTE: "ALREADY VOTED" NOT OFFERED UNTIL OCTOBER

1. 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? (Candidate names ROTATED) (If undecided) As of today, do you lean more toward Obama or Romney? (Candidate names ROTATED) *RESULTS INCLUDE LEANERS AND THOSE WHO HAVE ALREADY VOTED*

		Obama	Romney	Someone else (vol.)	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	45	50	1	4
	9/11-17/12	48	47	2	3
	10/4-9/12	47	48	2	2
VA	7/31-8/6/12	49	45	1	5
	9/11-17/12	50	46	1	3
	10/4-9/12	51	46	1	3
WI	7/31-8/6/12	51	45	-	4
	8/15-21/12	49	47	1	3
	9/11-17/12	51	45	1	3
	10/4-9/12	50	47	-	3

1a.(If candidate chosen in Q1) Is your mind made up, or do you think you might change your mind before the election?

			Mind made up	Might change mind	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	All voters	91	8	1
		Obama voters	88	11	1
		Romney voters	93	6	1
	9/11-17/12	All voters	93	6	1
		Obama voters	93	6	-
		Romney voters	93	6	1
	10/4-9/12	All voters	93	6	-
		Obama voters	93	7	-
		Romney voters	94	5	-
VA	7/31-8/6/12	All voters	90	9	1
		Obama voters	90	9	1
		Romney voters	90	8	1
	9/11-17/12	All voters	92	8	-
		Obama voters	91	9	-
		Romney voters	92	7	-
	10/4-9/12	All voters	93	6	1
		Obama voters	94	6	1
		Romney voters	93	7	-
WI	7/31-8/6/12	All voters	90	9	1
		Obama voters	90	10	-
		Romney voters	89	8	2
	8/15-21/12	All voters	90	9	1
		Obama voters	89	10	1
		Romney voters	91	8	1
	9/11-17/12	All voters	93	7	-
		Obama voters	92	7	1
		Romney voters	94	6	-
	10/4-9/12	All voters	92	7	1
		Obama voters	91	8	1
		Romney voters	94	5	-

QUESTIONS Q2 AND Q3 ROTATED

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

		Favorable	Unfavorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	47	42	9	2
	9/11-17/12	46	47	5	2
	10/4-9/12	48	44	6	2
VA	7/31-8/6/12	40	44	13	3
	9/11-17/12	45	44	9	2
	10/4-9/12	46	46	7	1
WI	7/31-8/6/12	41	43	14	2
	8/15-21/12	44	43	11	2
	9/11-17/12	45	44	9	1
	10/4-9/12	47	45	6	2

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

		Favorable	Unfavorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	46	50	1	2
	9/11-17/12	49	47	1	2
	10/4-9/12	49	48	2	1
VA	7/31-8/6/12	50	46	2	2
	9/11-17/12	53	43	3	2
	10/4-9/12	54	43	2	1
WI	7/31-8/6/12	53	44	2	2
	8/15-21/12	51	45	2	2
	9/11-17/12	52	44	2	2
	10/4-9/12	50	45	2	2

4. & 5. (If candidate chosen in Q1) Thinking about your vote for president, would you describe your support for [SELECTED CANDIDATE] as strongly favoring him, or do you like him but with reservations, or do you support him because you dislike [SELECTED CANDIDATE]?

			Strongly favor	Like with reservations	Dislike other	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	Obama voters	62	30	7	1
		Romney voters	51	27	21	2
	9/11-17/12	Obama voters	73	21	5	-
		Romney voters	55	27	16	2
	10/4-9/12	Obama voters	68	23	9	-
		Romney voters	60	25	15	-
VA	7/31-8/6/12	Obama voters	68	25	7	1
		Romney voters	40	36	22	2
	9/11-17/12	Obama voters	71	24	4	1
		Romney voters	55	28	15	2
	10/4-9/12	Obama voters	72	23	5	-
		Romney voters	62	27	9	2
WI	7/31-8/6/12	Obama voters	64	30	6	-
		Romney voters	42	35	21	1
	9/11-17/12	Obama voters	74	21	4	1
		Romney voters	56	25	17	2
	10/4-9/12	Obama voters	69	23	7	1
		Romney voters	63	25	12	-

COLORADO:

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way John Hickenlooper is handling his job as Governor?

		Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/1	66	18	17
	9/11-17/12	62	19	19
	10/4-9/12	59	21	20

VIRGINIA:

6. Turning to this year's general election for United States Senator from Virginia, if the election for United States Senator were being held today, and the candidates were George Allen the Republican and Tim Kaine the Democrat, for whom would you vote? (If undecided) As of today, do you lean more toward Allen or Kaine? (Candidate names ROTATED) *RESULTS INCLUDE LEANERS*

		Kaine	Allen	Someone else (vol.)	DK/NA
VA	7/31-8/6/1	48	46	-	6
	9/11-17/12	51	44	-	5
	10/4-9/12	51	44	-	5

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bob McDonnell is handling his job as Governor?

		Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
VA	7/31-8/6/1	52	29	20
	9/11-17/12	54	27	19
	10/4-9/12	52	29	19

WISCONSIN:

6. Turning to this year's general election for United States Senator from Wisconsin...If the election for United States Senator were being held today and the candidates were Tommy Thompson the Republican and Tammy Baldwin the Democrat, for whom would you vote? (If undecided) As of today, do you lean more toward Thompson or Baldwin? (Candidate names rotated) *RESULTS INCLUDE LEANERS*

		Baldwin	Thompson	Someone else (vol.)	DK/NA
WI	7/31-8/6/1	47	47	1	5
	8/15-21/12	44	50	1	4
	9/11-17/12	47	47	-	6
	10/4-9/12	48	46	-	5

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Scott Walker is handling his job as Governor?

		Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
WI	7/31-8/6/1	52	44	4
	8/15-21/12	53	43	4
	9/11-17/12	52	44	5
	10/4-9/12	52	44	3

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

		Approve	Disapprove	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	44	53	3
	9/11-17/12	47	50	3
	10/4-9/12	45	52	3
VA	7/31-8/6/12	47	49	4
	9/11-17/12	49	47	3
	10/4-9/12	52	46	3
WI	7/31-8/6/12	51	46	3
	8/15-21/12	46	49	4
	9/11-17/12	51	46	3
	10/4-9/12	47	49	4

QUESTIONS 9 AND 10 ROTATED

9. Is your opinion of Joe Biden favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

		Favorable	Unfavorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
CO	9/11-17/12	40	44	15	2
	10/4-9/12	36	44	19	1
VA	9/11-17/12	42	42	14	1
	10/4-9/12	43	39	17	1
WI	8/15-21/12	35	42	22	2
	9/11-17/12	36	42	21	1
	10/4-9/12	36	39	24	1

10. Is your opinion of Paul Ryan favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

		Favorable	Unfavorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
CO	9/11-17/12	38	38	24	-
	10/4-9/12	38	34	27	-
VA	9/11-17/12	37	37	26	1
	10/4-9/12	38	34	28	-
WI	8/15-21/12	44	35	20	1
	9/11-17/12	43	38	18	1
	10/4-9/12	46	35	18	-

QUESTIONS 11 AND 12 ROTATED

11. Do you think Joe Biden is or is not qualified to serve as president if it becomes necessary, or don't you know enough about Joe Biden to say?

		Qualified	Not qualified	Don't know enough	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	41	39	19	1
VA	10/4-9/12	45	33	20	1
WI	8/15-21/12	41	33	24	2
	10/4-9/12	41	32	27	1

12. Do you think Paul Ryan is or is not qualified to serve as president if it becomes necessary, or don't you know enough about Paul Ryan to say?

		Qualified	Not qualified	Don't know enough	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	40	26	33	1
VA	10/4-9/12	34	28	36	2
WI	8/15-21/12	44	29	26	1
	10/4-9/12	47	28	25	1

13. In deciding who you would like to see elected President this year, which one of the following issues will be most important to you - (ROTATE OPTION LIST) national security, the economy, energy, the budget deficit, taxes, health care, Medicare, or something else?

	CO			VA			WI		
	7/31- 8/6/12	9/11- 17/12	10/4- 9/12	7/31- 8/6/12	9/11- 17/12	10/4- 9/12	7/31- 8/6/12	9/11- 17/12	10/4- 9/12
Nat'l sec.	4	6	9	4	5	7	3	4	4
Economy	48	42	42	49	50	42	47	45	44
Energy ²	NA	NA	3	NA	NA	2	NA	NA	2
Budg. deficit	11	12	11	10	8	11	13	12	11
Taxes	4	2	4	6	3	4	3	3	5
Health care	19	22	14	19	20	16	24	23	16
Immigration ¹	3	3	NA	2	1	NA	2	1	NA
Medicare ²	NA	NA	6	NA	NA	9	NA	NA	9
Smthg else	8	11	9	7	10	8	7	8	7
DK/NA	3	3	2	2	3	2	1	3	2

¹ NOT INCLUDED AS ANSWER CHOICE IN OCTOBER

² ADDED AS ANSWER CHOICE IN OCTOBER

14. 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?

		More	Less	Same	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	35	16	48	-
	9/11-17/12	40	16	43	1
	10/4-9/12	41	12	46	-
VA	7/31-8/6/12	32	18	48	1
	9/11-17/12	39	15	46	1
	10/4-9/12	43	11	45	-
WI	7/31-8/6/12	32	15	52	1
	8/15-21/12	36	14	50	-
	9/11-17/12	39	12	48	1
	10/4-9/12	42	10	48	-

15. Do you think the nation's economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

		Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	26	42	31	1
	10/4-9/12	37	37	25	1
VA	7/31-8/6/12	24	38	36	2
	10/4-9/12	42	35	22	1
WI	7/31-8/6/12	25	36	38	1
	10/4-9/12	38	33	29	1

16. Do you think (Colorado's/Virginia's/Wisconsin's) economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

		Better	Worse	Same	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	33	24	42	2
	10/4-9/12	40	20	38	2
VA	7/31-8/6/12	30	16	51	3
	10/4-9/12	37	15	45	3
WI	7/31-8/6/12	30	29	40	2
	10/4-9/12	35	18	45	1

QUESTIONS 17 and 18 ROTATED

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

		Does	Does not	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	52	44	3
	9/11-17/12	55	41	3
	10/4-9/12	54	42	3
VA	7/31-8/6/12	59	37	4
	9/11-17/12	59	37	3
	10/4-9/12	63	34	3
WI	7/31-8/6/12	57	40	3
	8/15-21/12	58	40	3
	9/11-17/12	60	37	3
	10/4-9/12	61	36	2

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

		Does	Does not	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	47	46	7
	9/11-17/12	45	50	5
	10/4-9/12	48	48	4
VA	7/31-8/6/12	44	48	8
	9/11-17/12	44	50	6
	10/4-9/12	46	49	5
WI	7/31-8/6/12	41	51	8
	8/15-21/12	44	48	8
	9/11-17/12	43	51	6
	10/4-9/12	46	50	4

QUESTIONS 19 and 20 ROTATED

19. How confident are you in Barack Obama's ability to be an effective Commander-in-Chief of the nation's military – are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

		Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
CO	9/11-17/12	35	19	14	30	1
	10/4-9/12	35	19	15	31	-
VA	9/11-17/12	38	22	13	27	1
	10/4-9/12	41	18	16	25	1
WI	9/11-17/12	36	24	13	27	-
	10/4-9/12	37	23	16	24	1

20. How confident are you in Mitt Romney's ability to be an effective Commander-in-Chief of the nation's military – are you very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not at all confident?

		Very confident	Somewhat confident	Not too confident	Not at all confident	DK/NA
CO	9/11-17/12	24	28	16	30	2
	10/4-9/12	32	27	17	22	2
VA	9/11-17/12	23	31	19	25	3
	10/4-9/12	25	30	19	25	1
WI	9/11-17/12	23	29	20	25	2
	10/4-9/12	28	29	17	24	2

QUESTIONS 21 and 22 ROTATED

21. Would you say that Barack Obama has strong leadership qualities, or not?

		Has strong qualities	Does not	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	54	44	2
VA	10/4-9/12	62	37	2
WI	10/4-9/12	59	39	1

22. Would you say that Mitt Romney has strong leadership qualities, or not?

		Has strong qualities	Does not	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	67	29	4
VA	10/4-9/12	64	30	6
WI	10/4-9/12	65	31	4

QUESTIONS 23 and 24 ROTATED

23. Would you say that Barack Obama is honest and trustworthy, or not?

		Is honest and trustworthy	Is not	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	49	48	3
VA	10/4-9/12	59	38	4
WI	10/4-9/12	58	40	3

24. Would you say that Mitt Romney is honest and trustworthy, or not?

		Is honest and trustworthy	Is not	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	47	48	5
VA	10/4-9/12	47	46	7
WI	10/4-9/12	47	47	6

QUESTIONS 25 and 26 ROTATED

25. Do you think Barack Obama has clearly explained his specific plans for the next four years, or hasn't he clearly explained them?

		Has clearly explained	Has not	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	47	51	2
VA	10/4-9/12	49	48	3
WI	10/4-9/12	45	53	2

26. Do you think Mitt Romney has clearly explained his specific plans for the next four years, or hasn't he clearly explained them?

		Has clearly explained	Has not	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	37	60	2
VA	10/4-9/12	34	63	3
WI	10/4-9/12	33	63	3

QUESTIONS 28 THROUGH 34 ROTATED

Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would do a better job on [ISSUE BELOW]-- Barack Obama or Mitt Romney? (Candidate names rotated)

27. The economy

		Obama	Romney	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	41	51	8
	9/11-17/12	47	48	5
	10/4-9/12	44	52	4
VA	7/31-8/6/12	45	47	8
	9/11-17/12	49	47	4
	10/4-9/12	48	48	4
WI	7/31-8/6/12	47	46	7
	8/15-21/12	43	49	8
	9/11-17/12	49	46	5
	10/4-9/12	47	49	4

28. Health care

		Obama	Romney	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12	47	45	8
	9/11-17/12	49	45	6
	10/4-9/12	48	47	6
VA	7/31-8/6/12	49	42	9
	9/11-17/12	52	44	4
	10/4-9/12	54	42	4
WI	7/31-8/6/12	49	43	8
	8/15-21/12	50	44	6
	9/11-17/12	51	45	4
	10/4-9/12	51	44	5

29. Helping the middle class

		Obama	Romney	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	50	45	5
VA	10/4-9/12	55	42	4
WI	10/4-9/12	53	43	4

30. Medicare

		Obama	Romney	DK/NA
CO	9/11-17/12	49	44	6
	10/4-9/12	47	46	7
VA	9/11-17/12	52	42	6
	10/4-9/12	55	40	5
WI	8/15-21/12	51	42	7
	9/11-17/12	50	43	7
	10/4-9/12	51	44	6

31. Taxes

		Obama	Romney	DK/NA
CO	9/11-17/12	49	45	6
	10/4-9/12	48	47	5
VA	9/11-17/12	50	45	5
	10/4-9/12	50	44	6
WI	8/15-21/12	46	47	8
	9/11-17/12	50	45	5
	10/4-9/12	47	49	5

32. Energy issues

		Obama	Romney	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	46	49	6
VA	10/4-9/12	49	44	7
WI	10/4-9/12	49	44	8

33. International crisis

		Obama	Romney	DK/NA
CO	9/12-17/12	50	43	6
	10/4-9/12	49	45	6
VA	9/12-17/12	53	42	6
	10/4-9/12	53	42	5
WI	9/12-17/12	53	41	6
	10/4-9/12	52	42	6

34. Budget deficit

		Obama	Romney	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	40	54	6
VA	10/4-9/12	43	51	6
WI	10/4-9/12	41	53	5

35. Which one of these comes CLOSER to your opinion: 1. The United States is more successful when the government emphasizes self-reliance and individual responsibility, OR 2. The United States is more successful when the government emphasizes community and shared responsibility.

		Self-reliance & individual responsibility	Community & shared responsibility	Both (vol.)	DK/NA
CO	9/11-17/12	49	43	2	5
	10/4-9/12	51	43	3	4
VA	9/11-17/12	44	48	2	6
	10/4-9/12	45	45	4	6
WI	9/11-17/12	47	44	3	6
	10/4-9/12	46	46	3	6

36. As you may know, the largest items in the federal budget are the military, Social Security, and Medicare, the government health insurance program for seniors. If you had to choose one, which of the following programs would you be willing to change in order to cut spending: Medicare, Social Security, or the military? (Options rotated)

		Medicare	Social Security	Military	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	21	21	47	12
VA	10/4-9/12	18	21	47	14
WI	10/4-9/12	18	18	53	12

37. In order to reduce the federal budget deficit, do you support or oppose raising income taxes on household income over \$250,000 per year?

		Support	Oppose	DK/NA
CO	7/31-8/6/12 ¹	56	40	4
	10/4-9/12	62	35	3
VA	7/31-8/6/12 ¹	59	36	5
	10/4-9/12	66	31	3
WI	7/31-8/6/12 ¹	66	30	4
	8/15-21/12 ¹	65	30	5
	10/4-9/12	65	32	3

QUESTION READ: IN ORDER TO REDUCE THE FEDERAL BUDGET DEFICIT, DO YOU SUPPORT OR OPPOSE RAISING INCOME TAXES ON HOUSEHOLDS MAKING MORE THAN \$250,000 PER YEAR?

38. Do you feel you pay more than your fair share in federal income taxes, less than your fair share, or is the amount you pay about right?

		More	Less	About right	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	23	5	70	2
VA	10/4-9/12	29	3	66	2
WI	10/4-9/12	28	4	66	2

39. What about upper-income Americans? Do you feel upper-income people pay more than their fair share in federal income taxes, less than their fair share, or is the amount they pay about right?

		More	Less	About right	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	15	52	29	5
VA	10/4-9/12	13	54	25	7
WI	10/4-9/12	12	55	27	6

40. Thinking about the presidential debate. Which candidate do you think did the best job, or won, Wednesday night's presidential debate -- Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

		Barack Obama	Mitt Romney	Tie (vol.)	Didn't watch (vol.)	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	16	72	3	6	4
VA	10/4-9/12	17	70	3	7	3
WI	10/4-9/12	17	65	4	11	4

41. Did you watch or listen to the presidential debate between Barack Obama and Mitt Romney on Wednesday, October 3rd or not?

		Yes	No	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	88	11	1
VA	10/4-9/12	87	12	1
WI	10/4-9/12	81	18	-

QUESTIONS 42 AND 43 ROTATED

42. In general, how did Wednesday night's debate affect your opinion of Barack Obama? Did it make you think better of him, worse of him, or didn't it affect your opinion? (ASKED ONLY OF DEBATE WATCHERS)

		Better	Worse	No effect	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	6	29	64	1
VA	10/4-9/12	9	24	66	1
WI	10/4-9/12	7	28	65	-

43. In general, how did Wednesday night's debate affect your opinion of Mitt Romney? Did it make you think better of him, worse of him, or didn't it affect your opinion? (ASKED ONLY OF DEBATE WATCHERS)

		Better	Worse	No effect	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	51	19	30	-
VA	10/4-9/12	44	18	37	-
WI	10/4-9/12	47	14	38	1

QUESTIONS 44 AND 45 ROTATED

44. Did the presidential debate make you more likely to vote for Barack Obama, less likely, or did it have no effect on your vote choice?

		More	Less	No effect	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	9	19	71	1
VA	10/4-9/12	10	18	70	1
WI	10/4-9/12	8	17	71	4

45. Did the presidential debate make you more likely to vote for Mitt Romney, less likely, or did it have no effect on your vote choice?

		More	Less	No effect	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	26	13	60	1
VA	10/4-9/12	23	12	63	2
WI	10/4-9/12	23	10	64	4

46. Do you plan on watching or listening to the vice presidential debate on Thursday, October 11th, or not?

		Yes	No	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	85	12	3
VA	10/4-9/12	84	13	2
WI	10/4-9/12	81	16	3

47. Who do you think will win the vice presidential debate - Joe Biden or Paul Ryan?

		Joe Biden	Paul Ryan	Tie (vol.)	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	30	47	1	22
VA	10/4-9/12	36	41	1	21
WI	10/4-9/12	32	49	1	19

COLORADO:

48a. On a different subject, do you think that the use of marijuana should be made legal in Colorado, or not?

		Legal	Not legal	DK/NA
CO	10/4-9/12	45	46	8

VIRGINIA:

48b. On a different subject, how important is the federal government in creating jobs in your state - very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important.

		Very	Somewhat	Not too	Not at all	DK/NA
VA	10/4-9/12	59	25	9	5	3

WISCONSIN:

48c. On a different subject, is your opinion of labor unions favorable, unfavorable, or haven't you heard enough about them?

		Favorable	Unfavorable	Haven't heard enough	DK/NA
WI	10/4-9/12	40	41	15	4

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

		Republican	Democrat	Independent	Other	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	29	27	39	4	-
	VA	28	31	35	3	2
	WI	27	31	37	5	1

IF REPUBLICAN: Do you consider yourself a strong Republican or not a strong Republican?

		Strong Republican	Not strong	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	70	27	2
	VA	70	29	1
	WI	75	23	1

IF DEMOCRAT: Do you consider yourself a strong Democrat or not a strong Democrat?

		Strong Democrat	Not strong	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	70	29	1
	VA	75	24	1
	WI	74	25	1

IF INDEPENDENT: Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican party or the Democratic party?

		Republican	Democrat	Neither (vol.)	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	48	39	11	2
	VA	40	39	18	3
	WI	43	40	14	2

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

		Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	21	42	35	2
	VA	20	41	36	3
	WI	19	39	38	4

Are you registered as a Republican, Democrat, some other party, or are you not affiliated with any party?

		Republican	Democrat	Other party	Independent/ Unaffiliated/ No party	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	37	31	2	30	1
	VA	NA	NA	NA	NA	NA
	WI	NA	NA	Na	NA	NA

Do you consider yourself part of the Tea Party movement or not?

		Yes	No	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	12	86	2
	VA	11	86	3
	WI	10	87	3

Are you currently married?

		Yes	No	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	62	38	-
	VA	63	37	-
	WI	58	42	-

Do you have any children under the age of 18?

		Yes	No	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	33	67	
	VA	33	66	-
	WI	29	71	-

Are you or is any member of your household a member of a LABOR UNION?

		Yes	No	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	12	88	-
	VA	8	91	-
	WI	24	76	-

Are you or is anyone in your household currently in military service, a military veteran, or a reservist?

		Yes	No	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	28	72	
	VA	31	69	-
	WI	22	77	-

What is your religious preference? Is it Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Mormon, Muslim, some other religion, or don't you belong to any religious denomination?

		Protestant	Catholic	Jewish	Mormon	Muslim	Other	None	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	39	16	2	2	-	11	26	3
	VA	51	13	1	1	2	11	18	2
	WI	40	30	-	-	-	9	18	2

Would you consider yourself a born-again Christian or evangelical Christian, or wouldn't you consider yourself either of those?

		Yes	No	Not asked	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	25	42	31	2
	VA	40	35	23	2
	WI	23	54	20	2

Are you of Latino or Hispanic origin, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban or any other Spanish speaking background?

		Yes	No	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	11	89	1
	VA	4	95	1
	WI	4	96	1

Do you identify yourself as white, black, Asian or some other race?

		White	Black	Asian	Other	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	83	4	1	9	3
	VA	70	20	2	7	1
	WI	89	5	1	4	1

In what year were you born?

10/4-9/12		CO	VA	WI
	18-29	16	12	13
	30-44	27	27	22
	45-64	39	38	42
	65+	18	23	23

Education question series: Did you receive a high school diploma? IF RECEIVED HIGH SCHOOL DIPLOMA: Did you ever attend college? IF "YES": Did you graduate? IF ATTENDED COLLEGE: Was this from a 4-year college, a junior college/two year program, or a vocational/technical school? IF ATTENDED/GRADUATED FOUR YEAR COLLEGE: Did you ever attend graduate school? IF "YES": Did you receive a graduate degree?

10/4-9/12		CO	VA	WI
	Less than HS	6	7	5
	High School	11	15	20
	Some College	41	41	46
	College Grad	18	14	14
	Some Grad School	7	6	4
	Post Grad Degree	17	17	11

About what do you think your total household income will be this year?

10/4-9/12		CO	VA	WI
	Less than \$15,000	7	6	9
	Between \$15,000 and \$30,000	12	12	15
	Between \$30,000 and \$50,000	18	17	20
	Between \$50,000 and \$100,000	29	28	29
	Or over \$100,000	27	29	18
	DK/NA	7	8	9

IF INCOME OVER \$100,000:

Would you say that your total household income will be under \$250,000, or \$250,000 or more?

		Less than \$250,000	\$250,000 or more	DK/NA
10/4-9/12	CO	82	17	1
	VA	84	16	-
	WI	87	12	1

		Male	Female
10/4-9/12	CO	49	51
	VA	48	52
	WI	49	51