NPR /Democracy Corps/Resurgent Republic Senate Battleground

Frequency Questionnaire

September 20-24, 2014
1000 Likely Voters
346 Democrats
327 Independents
308 Republicans

Q.6 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Yes	100	100	100	100
No	-	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-	-

(ref:SCREEN1)

Q.7 What are the chances of your voting in the election for Senate this coming November: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Almost certain	92	90	94	91
Probably	8	10	6	9
50-50	-	-	-	-
Will not vote	-	-	-	-
(Don't know)	-	-	-	-
(Already voted)	-	-	-	-
(Refused)	-	-	-	-

(ref:CP14)

[174 Respondents]
Q.8 (ASK IF NOT NAME ON FILE) How often would you say you vote?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Always	70	79	67	61
Nearly always	30	21	33	39
Part of the time	-	-	-	-
Seldom	-	-	-	-
(Never)	-	-	-	-
(Other/Don't know/Refused)	-	-	-	-

(ref:OFTVOTE)

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Q.9 Generally speaking, do you think that things in this country are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Right direction	26	55	17	2
Wrong track	69	38	79	94
(Don't know/Refused)	5	7	4	3
Right - Wrong	**-43**	**18**	**-62**	**-92**

(ref:DIRECT)

Q.10 Do you approve or disapprove of the job being done by Barack Obama as president?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly approve	23	53	12	1
Somewhat approve	18	31	18	3
Somewhat disapprove	11	5	17	11
Strongly disapprove	46	9	50	81
(Don't know/Refused)	3	2	4	3
Total approve	**41**	**84**	**29**	**4**
Total disapprove	**56**	**14**	**67**	**92**
Approve - disapprove	**-16**	**70**	**-38**	**-88**

(ref:BOAPP)

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Q.11 Do you approve or disapprove of the way (Named Incumbent) is handling his/her job as a member of the U.S. Senate?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly approve	25	43	18	11
Somewhat approve	20	24	22	14
Somewhat disapprove	13	6	18	16
Strongly disapprove	28	12	32	41
(Don't know/Refused)	14	15	10	18
Total approve	**45**	**67**	**41**	**25**
Total disapprove	**41**	**18**	**50**	**58**
Approve - disapprove	**4**	**49**	**-9**	**-33**

(ref:SENAPP)

Q.12 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people and organizations, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number, the more favorable your feelings are toward that person or organization. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or organization, please say so.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
12 The Republican Party	42.1	32	49	12	33	99	-17
Dem	21.6	5	82	2	61	98	-77
Ind	40.5	24	48	5	29	99	-23
Rep	66.0	70	13	31	7	99	57
13 The Democratic Party	43.8	38	48	18	35	99	-11
Dem	73.1	82	8	45	2	98	74
Ind	34.5	23	60	6	43	99	-38
Rep	20.7	4	82	1	64	99	-78
14 Barack Obama	44.0	40	51	29	42	100	-11
Dem	77.4	83	9	65	6	100	74
Ind	35.6	30	61	16	50	100	-31
Rep	15.1	4	88	1	76	100	-84

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	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% >75	% <26	% ID	Warm - Cool
17 (Named Democratic Senate Candidate)[1]	46.9	36	40	21	29	87	-4
Dem	72.7	68	9	46	5	90	59
Ind	39.7	29	44	11	34	85	-15
Rep	23.4	7	68	2	51	85	-62
18 (Named Republican Senate Candidate)[2]	43.9	34	41	16	31	89	-7
Dem	21.3	6	69	2	56	87	-63
Ind	44.6	36	40	12	29	89	-4
Rep	67.2	63	12	35	8	89	51

(ref:THERM04)

Q.20 Thinking about the election for Senate in November, if the election for U.S. Senate were held today, would you be voting for -- (Democratic incumbent/candidate) or (Republican incumbent/candidate)?[3]

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Democratic Candidate	43	84	36	7
Lean Democratic Candidate	2	3	2	1
Republican Candidate	46	7	51	84
Lean Republican Candidate	2	1	3	4
(Other candidate)	2	1	3	1
Lean (Other candidate)	0	0	-	-
(Undecided)	4	3	5	4
(Refused)	1	1	1	0
Total Democratic Candidate	**45**	**86**	**37**	**7**
Total Republican Candidate	**48**	**9**	**53**	**87**
Total (Other candidate)	**2**	**1**	**3**	**1**

(ref:SEN14VT1)

[1] *For each state, the name of the Democratic Party's candidate for U.S. Senate was inserted.*
[2] *For each state, the name of the Republican Party's candidate for U.S. Senate was inserted.*
[3] *For each district, the candidate names were inserted.*

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Q.22 Even though you are not supporting (Democratic incumbent/candidate) now, what are the chances that you might support (Democratic incumbent/candidate) in the election for Senate in November -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance, or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Fair chance	5	5	5	5
A small chance	5	2	7	7
Just a very slight chance	9	3	11	11
No chance at all	34	3	37	67
(Don't know/Refused)	2	1	2	2
Democratic Candidate supporter (ref:SEN14CHD)	**45**	**86**	**37**	**7**

Q.23 Even though you are not supporting (Republican incumbent/candidate) now, what are the chances that you might support (Republican incumbent/candidate) in the election for Senate in November -- is there a fair chance that you might support that candidate, a small chance, just a very slight chance, or no chance at all that you might support that candidate?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Fair chance	4	2	5	4
A small chance	5	8	7	1
Just a very slight chance	9	13	8	3
No chance at all	31	65	23	4
(Don't know/Refused)	3	3	3	1
Republican Candidate supporter (ref:SEN14CHR)	**48**	**9**	**53**	**87**

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Q.24 Now I am going to read you a list of reasons people vote for one candidate over another. After I read this list, tell me which THREE are the most important when deciding who to vote for in the election for U.S. Senate.

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Their position on the economy, creating jobs, and improving wages	55	58	60	46
Their position on the new health care law	36	37	31	39
Their position on foreign policy and ISIS	33	20	37	42
Their position on Medicare and Social Security	28	33	25	24
Their position on spending and deficits	24	12	28	33
Their position on women and women's issues	24	41	18	10
Their position on immigration	24	17	26	30
Their position on abortion and gay marriage	23	25	23	23
Because they support or oppose President Obama	13	15	10	13
Because of their political party	10	15	4	9
(Other)	5	6	5	3
(All of the above)	3	2	4	3
(None of the above)	1	1	2	0
(Don't know/refused)	2	1	1	2

(ref:VOTEREAS)

[500 Respondents]
Q.25 (SPLIT A) Do you support or oppose the health care reform law that passed in 2010, also known as the Affordable Care Act or Obamacare?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly support	29	64	17	2
Somewhat support	13	17	17	2
Somewhat oppose	10	7	11	15
Strongly oppose	44	9	51	78
(Don't know/refused)	4	3	5	3
Total Support	**42**	**81**	**34**	**4**
Total Oppose	**55**	**16**	**61**	**93**
Support - Oppose	**-13**	**65**	**-27**	**-88**

(ref:ACA7)

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[274 Respondents]
Q.26 (SPLIT A)(IF OPPOSE IN ACA7) Now I'm going to read you a pair of statements about the Affordable Care Act. After I read the statements, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

I'm opposed because it's a big government solution that we cannot afford.

I'm opposed because you still have to buy private insurance and I'd prefer a single-payer, government-run system like Canada.

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Big government, strongly	65	45	64	69
Big government, somewhat	14	17	15	13
Insurance companies/Canada, somewhat	7	24	5	5
Insurance companies/Canada, strongly	11	11	11	11
(Neither)	3	2	5	2
(Don't know/refused)	0	0	0	1
Total Big Gov	**78**	**63**	**79**	**82**
Total Ins Comp	**18**	**35**	**16**	**16**
Big Gov - Insurance	**60**	**29**	**63**	**66**

(ref:ACA1A)

[500 Respondents]
Q.27 (SPLIT B) Do you approve or disapprove of the job being done by Barack Obama on dealing with the ISIS forces in Iraq and Syria?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strongly approve	19	34	15	7
Somewhat approve	27	37	26	16
Somewhat disapprove	13	9	12	18
Strongly disapprove	32	7	40	52
(Don't know/Refused)	9	13	6	7
Total approve	**46**	**71**	**42**	**23**
Total disapprove	**45**	**16**	**52**	**70**
Approve - disapprove	**1**	**54**	**-11**	**-48**

(ref:ISISBOAP)

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[1000 Respondents]
Q.28 Now I'm going to read you a pair of statements about the candidates for Senate. After I read the statements, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

The Democratic candidate for U.S. Senate says I am an independent person who works with both Republicans and Democrats to get things done for our state and fights for the hard-working middle class. I'm not there for those with the big money who are outsourcing and shipping American jobs overseas. I'm working for less regulation on small business. We should raise the minimum wage, make college affordable and have equal pay for men and women. And I won't let Washington cut Social Security or Medicare or pass trade agreements that threaten American jobs.

OR

The Republican candidate for U.S. Senate says it's time for a new direction in Washington. Democrats have controlled the Presidency and the Senate for six years, and their policies haven't worked. Our economy is still struggling, and too many middle-class Americans are unemployed or underemployed. A Republican Senate will pass legislation to create jobs, stop spending money we don't have, strengthen our national security, stop the Democratic cuts to the Medicare Advantage, and start over on health care reform to reduce costs. Democrats have had their chance, and now it's time to try something new.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Nei-ther	DK/ Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
Total	40	8	8	36	2	4	2	**48**	**44**	**4**
Dem	77	9	2	9	-	2	2	**86**	**11**	**75**
Ind	28	11	13	36	3	7	2	**39**	**49**	**-10**
Rep	12	4	9	69	3	3	1	**15**	**78**	**-63**

(ref:NPRPAIR)

Q.101 Finally, I would like to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
1 - 11th grade	2	3	2	1
High School graduate	19	21	17	20
Non-college post H.S.	1	-	0	2
Some college	26	26	23	29
College graduate	37	35	41	37
Post-graduate school	14	14	16	10
(Don't know/Refused)	1	1	0	1

(ref:EDUC)

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Q.102 In what year were you born?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
18 - 24	4	4	4	3
25 - 29	4	4	2	7
30 - 34	9	10	7	9
35 - 39	6	9	6	4
40 - 44	7	9	8	6
45 - 49	11	8	12	12
50 - 54	8	5	10	9
55 - 59	10	11	11	8
60 - 64	13	15	11	14
65 and over	25	23	26	26
(No answer)	3	2	3	3

(ref:AGE)

Q.103 Are you married, single, living with a partner, separated, divorced, or widowed?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Married	61	50	68	69
Single	18	25	16	13
Separated/Divorced	9	9	9	9
Widowed	7	10	5	8
Living with a partner	3	6	2	2
(Don't know/Refused)	2	0	0	-
Sep/Div/Wid	**17**	**19**	**14**	**16**
Unmarried	**37**	**50**	**31**	**31**

(ref:MARITAL)

Q.104 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican or what?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Strong Democrat	24	70	-	-
Weak Democrat	10	30	-	-
Independent-lean Democrat	9	-	28	-
Independent	7	-	20	-
Independent-lean Republican	17	-	51	-
Weak Republican	12	-	-	38
Strong Republican	19	-	-	62
(Don't know/Refused)	2	-	-	-

(ref:PTYID1)

Q.107 Thinking in political terms, would you say that you are Conservative, Moderate, or Liberal?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Liberal	19	43	11	1
Moderate	33	35	39	27
Conservative	43	17	47	69
(Don't know/Refused)	5	5	3	2

(ref:IDEO1)

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[1000 Respondents]

Q.108 (ASK IF VOTED IN 2012) In the 2012 election for president, did you vote for Democrat Barack Obama or Republican Mitt Romney?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Democrat Barack Obama	43	91	31	4
Republican Mitt Romney	48	6	56	89
(Gary Johnson)	1	1	1	-
(Jill Stein)	0	-	1	-
(Virgil Goode)	-	-	-	-
(Other)	2	1	2	3
(Did not vote)	2	1	2	3
(Don't Know/Refused)	4	1	7	1
Democrat Barack Obama - Republican Mitt Romney	**-5**	**86**	**-26**	**-86**
Democrat Barack Obama	47	94	35	4
Republican Mitt Romney	53	6	65	96
Democrat Barack Obama - Republican Mitt Romney	**-6**	**88**	**-30**	**-92**

(ref:VOTE2012)

Q.109 Thinking about your telephone use, of all the personal telephone calls that you receive, do you get:

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
All calls on a cell phone	26	33	24	22
Almost all calls on a cell phone	19	15	20	22
Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone	25	24	27	24
Almost all calls on a regular home phone	14	13	15	15
All calls on a regular home phone	14	15	13	15
(Don't know/Refused)	2	0	1	1

(ref:PHONEUSE)

Q.110 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
White	81	69	86	93
African-American or Black	10	23	5	1
Hispanic or Latino	3	5	2	2
Native American	1	1	1	1
Asian	1	1	1	1
(Other)	2	1	2	2
(Don't know/Refused)	3	0	3	1

(ref:RACE)

Q.5 Respondent gender:

	Total	Dem	Ind	Rep
Male	48	33	64	47
Female	52	67	36	53

(ref:GENDER)

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