Interviewing: $\quad$ March $9^{\text {th }}-$ March $13^{\text {th }}, 2012$

Respondents: 1,009 Registered Voters

Method: Telephone

Sample: Random Digit Dial

Weighting: Results are weighted to be representative of registered voters across the United States

Margin of Error: +/- 3\% at 95\% confidence

## SURVEY QUESTIONS

Q1. In general, do you think things in the nation are headed in the right direction, or have they gotten off on the wrong track?

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $31 \%$ | Right direction |
| $62 \%$ | Wrong track |
| $7 \%$ | Don't Know/Refused |

Q2. Do you approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing as President?

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{4 6 \%}$ | APPROVE (NET) |
| $24 \%$ | Strongly Approve |
| $22 \%$ | Somewhat Approve |
| $3 \%$ | Neither Approve nor Disapprove |
| $\mathbf{4 9 \%}$ | DISAPPROVE (NET) |
| $10 \%$ | Somewhat Disapprove |
| $39 \%$ | Strongly Disapprove |
| $2 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Q3. Do you approve or disapprove of the job U.S. Congress is doing?

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{1 7 \%}$ | APPROVE (NET) |
| $3 \%$ | Strongly Approve |
| $14 \%$ | Somewhat Approve |
| $\mathbf{2 \%}$ | Neither Approve nor Disapprove |
| $\mathbf{7 8 \%}$ | DISAPPROVE (NET) |
| $24 \%$ | Somewhat Disapprove |
| $55 \%$ | Strongly Disapprove |
| $\mathbf{2 \%}$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Q4. Thinking now about some issues that are in the news right now...
I would like to read a list of issues, and for each one, using a ten point scale, with ten being VERY IMPORTANT and one being NOT IMPORTANT AT ALL, please tell me how important each is to you.

SUMMARY OF MEANS

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| 9.2 | Getting the economy moving <br> again |
| 9.1 | Creating jobs |
| 8.5 | Allowing America to be more <br> energy independent by <br> producing more domestic energy |
| 8.4 | Improving education |
| 8.2 | Lowering the price of gasoline |
| 8.1 | Making health care more <br> affordable |

Improving education

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{7 3 \%}$ | IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $53 \%$ | 10 |
| $7 \%$ | 9 |
| $13 \%$ | 8 |
| $\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ | NEUTRAL (NET) |
| $8 \%$ | 7 |
| $6 \%$ | 6 |
| $7 \%$ | 5 |
| $1 \%$ | 4 |
| $\mathbf{4 \%}$ | NOT IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $1 \%$ | 3 |
| $1 \%$ | 2 |
| $2 \%$ | 1 |
| $*$ | Don't Know/Refuse |
| 8.4 | Mean |

Creating jobs

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{8 7 \%}$ | IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $66 \%$ | 10 |
| $12 \%$ | 9 |
| $9 \%$ | 8 |
| $\mathbf{1 0 \%}$ | NEUTRAL (NET) |
| $6 \%$ | 7 |
| $2 \%$ | 6 |
| $2 \%$ | 5 |
| ${ }^{*}$ | 4 |
| $\mathbf{2 \%}$ | NOT IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $*$ | 3 |
| $*$ | 2 |
| $2 \%$ | 1 |
| $1 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |
| 9.1 | Mean |

Getting the economy moving again

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{9 0 \%}$ | IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $68 \%$ | 10 |
| $9 \%$ | 9 |
| $12 \%$ | 8 |
| $\mathbf{9 \%}$ | NEUTRAL (NET) |
| $4 \%$ | 7 |
| $2 \%$ | 6 |
| $3 \%$ | 5 |
| $*$ | 4 |
| $\mathbf{1 \%}$ | NOT IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $1 \%$ | 3 |
| $*$ | 2 |
| $*$ | 1 |
| $*$ | Don't Know/Refuse |
| 9.2 | Mean |

Making health care more affordable

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{6 7 \%}$ | IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $49 \%$ | 10 |
| $6 \%$ | 9 |
| $12 \%$ | 8 |
| $\mathbf{2 6 \%}$ | NEUTRAL (NET) |
| $9 \%$ | 7 |
| $6 \%$ | 6 |
| $8 \%$ | 5 |
| $3 \%$ | 4 |
| $\mathbf{6 \%}$ | NOT IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $2 \%$ | 3 |
| $1 \%$ | 2 |
| $3 \%$ | 1 |
| $1 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |
| 8.1 | Mean |

Allowing America to be more energy independent by producing more domestic energy

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{7 5 \%}$ | IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $49 \%$ | 10 |
| $9 \%$ | 9 |
| $17 \%$ | 8 |
| $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ | NEUTRAL (NET) |
| $9 \%$ | 7 |
| $4 \%$ | 6 |
| $6 \%$ | 5 |
| $1 \%$ | 4 |
| $\mathbf{3 \%}$ | NOT IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $1 \%$ | 3 |
| $1 \%$ | 2 |
| $1 \%$ | 1 |
| $1 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |
| 8.5 | Mean |

Lowering the price of gasoline

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{7 0 \%}$ | IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $53 \%$ | 10 |
| $6 \%$ | 9 |
| $11 \%$ | 8 |
| $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ | NEUTRAL (NET) |
| $7 \%$ | 7 |
| $4 \%$ | 6 |
| $10 \%$ | 5 |
| $3 \%$ | 4 |
| $\mathbf{6 \%}$ | NOT IMPORTANT (NET) |
| $2 \%$ | 3 |
| $2 \%$ | 2 |
| $2 \%$ | 1 |
| $*$ | Don't Know/Refuse |
| 8.2 | Mean |

Q5. Do you support or oppose an "all of the above" energy strategy?

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $49 \%$ | SUPPORT (NET) |
| $25 \%$ | Strongly Support |
| $24 \%$ | Somewhat Support |
| $2 \%$ | Neither Support nor Oppose |
| $\mathbf{1 6 \%}$ | OPPOSE (NET) |
| $8 \%$ | Somewhat Oppose |
| $8 \%$ | Strongly Oppose |
| $\mathbf{3 3 \%}$ | NEVER HEAR OF/DON'T KNOW (NET) |
| $16 \%$ | Never heard of |
| $17 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Q6. Do you support or oppose increased access to domestic oil and natural gas resources?

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{7 3 \%}$ | SUPPORT (NET) |
| $51 \%$ | Strongly Support |
| $23 \%$ | Somewhat Support |
| $3 \%$ | Neither Support nor Oppose |
| $\mathbf{2 2 \%}$ | OPPOSE (NET) |
| $11 \%$ | Somewhat Oppose |
| $10 \%$ | Strongly Oppose |
| $2 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Q7. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with each statement.

SUMMARY OF AGREE

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $90 \%$ | Increased access to oil and natural gas resources here in North America would lead to more <br> American jobs. |
| $84 \%$ | Expanding access to domestic oil and natural gas resources will help increase the country's <br> energy security because we will be able to rely more on North America's resources. |
| $81 \%$ | Expanding access to North America's oil and natural gas resources could reduce the cost to <br> consumers for items such as gasoline, diesel fuel, home heating oil and natural gas. |
| $75 \%$ | When the federal government expands access to domestic sources of oil and natural gas, they <br> increase the amount of revenue the government treasury receives because these additional <br> oil and natural gas supplies generate lease payments, royalty fees and other sources of <br> government revenue. |
| $64 \%$ | Some in Washington are delaying the development of domestic oil and natural gas resources, <br> and these delays may mean an even tighter supply of oil in the future, potentially hurting the <br> economy and leading to higher energy costs for consumers |

Expanding access to domestic oil and natural gas resources will help increase the country's energy security because we will be able to rely on North America's resources.

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{8 4 \%}$ | AGREE (NET) |
| $61 \%$ | Strongly Agree |
| $23 \%$ | Somewhat Agree |
| $*$ | Neither Agree nor Disagree |
| $\mathbf{1 4 \%}$ | DISAGREE (NET) |
| $7 \%$ | Somewhat Disagree |
| $8 \%$ | Strongly Disagree |
| $1 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Expanding access to North America's oil and natural gas resources could reduce the cost to consumers for items such as gasoline, diesel fuel, home heating oil and natural gas.

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{8 1 \%}$ | AGREE (NET) |
| $57 \%$ | Strongly Agree |
| $24 \%$ | Somewhat Agree |
| $1 \%$ | Neither Agree nor Disagree |
| $\mathbf{1 6 \%}$ | DISAGREE (NET) |
| $8 \%$ | Somewhat Disagree |
| $9 \%$ | Strongly Disagree |
| $1 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Increased access to oil and natural gas resources here in North America would lead to more American jobs.

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{9 0 \%}$ | AGREE (NET) |
| $68 \%$ | Strongly Agree |
| $22 \%$ | Somewhat Agree |
| $*$ | Neither Agree nor Disagree |
| $\mathbf{9 \%}$ | DISAGREE (NET) |
| $5 \%$ | Somewhat Disagree |
| $3 \%$ | Strongly Disagree |
| $1 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

When the federal government expands access to domestic sources of oil and natural gas, they increase the amount of revenue the government treasury receives because these additional oil and natural gas supplies generate lease payments, royalty fees and other sources of government revenue.

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{7 5 \%}$ | AGREE (NET) |
| $40 \%$ | Strongly Agree |
| $36 \%$ | Somewhat Agree |
| $1 \%$ | Neither Agree nor Disagree |
| $\mathbf{1 9 \%}$ | DISAGREE (NET) |
| $10 \%$ | Somewhat Disagree |
| $9 \%$ | Strongly Disagree |
| $5 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Some in Washington are delaying the development of domestic oil and natural gas resources, and these delays may mean an even tighter supply of oil in the future, potentially hurting the economy and leading to higher energy costs for consumers.

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{6 4 \%}$ | AGREE (NET) |
| $45 \%$ | Strongly Agree |
| $20 \%$ | Somewhat Agree |
| $*$ | Neither Agree nor Disagree |
| $\mathbf{3 2 \%}$ | DISAGREE (NET) |
| $12 \%$ | Somewhat Disagree |
| $20 \%$ | Strongly Disagree |
| $3 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Q8. Please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement.

Increasing energy taxes could increase consumer costs on a wide variety of products and services, including higher gasoline prices.

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{7 6 \%}$ | AGREE (NET) |
| $51 \%$ | Strongly Agree |
| $24 \%$ | Somewhat Agree |
| $*$ | Neither Agree nor Disagree |
| $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ | DISAGREE (NET) |
| $9 \%$ | Somewhat Disagree |
| $12 \%$ | Strongly Disagree |
| $2 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Q9. The Congressional Research Service, an agency within the Library of Congress that provides bipartisan analysis to Congress, conducted an in-depth study that concluded that the Administration's efforts to increase taxes on the U.S. oil and natural gas industry may have the effect of decreasing exploration, development and production here in America, while increasing consumer prices and increasing the nation's dependence on foreign oil.

Now, after hearing that information, please tell me if you agree or disagree with the following statement:

Increasing energy taxes could increase consumer costs on a wide variety of products and services, including higher gasoline prices.

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{7 0 \%}$ | AGREE (NET) |
| $45 \%$ | Strongly Agree |
| $26 \%$ | Somewhat Agree |
| $1 \%$ | Neither Agree nor Disagree |
| $\mathbf{2 3 \%}$ | DISAGREE (NET) |
| $11 \%$ | Somewhat Disagree |
| $11 \%$ | Strongly Disagree |
| $5 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Gender

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $47 \%$ | Male |
| $53 \%$ | Female |
| - | Don't Know/Refuse |

Age

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $2 \%$ | $18-20$ |
| $3 \%$ | $21-24$ |
| $5 \%$ | $25-29$ |
| $7 \%$ | $30-34$ |
| $9 \%$ | $35-39$ |
| $10 \%$ | $40-44$ |
| $10 \%$ | $45-49$ |
| $9 \%$ | $50-54$ |
| $10 \%$ | $55-59$ |
| $10 \%$ | $60-64$ |
| $9 \%$ | $65-69$ |
| $6 \%$ | $70-74$ |
| $8 \%$ | 75 and older |
| $2 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Party

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $\mathbf{3 1 \%}$ | REPUBLICAN (NET) |
| $19 \%$ | Strong Republican |
| $12 \%$ | Not-so-strong Republican |
| $\mathbf{2 5 \%}$ | INDEPENDENT (NET) |
| $9 \%$ | Lean Republican |
| $8 \%$ | Lean Democrat |
| $8 \%$ | Do Not Lean Either Way |
| $\mathbf{2 9 \%}$ | DEMOCRAT (NET) |
| $19 \%$ | Strong Democrat |
| $10 \%$ | Not-so-strong Democrat |
| $11 \%$ | Other |
| $4 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Ideology

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $56 \%$ | CONSERVATIVE (NET) |
| $24 \%$ | Very Conservative |
| $32 \%$ | Somewhat Conservative |
| $8 \%$ | Neither |
| $32 \%$ | LIBERAL (NET) |
| $22 \%$ | Somewhat Liberal |
| $10 \%$ | Very Liberal |
| $4 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Income

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $2 \%$ | Under $\$ 5,000$ |
| $2 \%$ | $\$ 5,000$ but less than $\$ 10,000$ |
| $4 \%$ | $\$ 10,000$ but less than $\$ 15,000$ |
| $4 \%$ | $\$ 15,000$ but less than $\$ 20,000$ |
| $4 \%$ | $\$ 20,000$ but less than $\$ 25,000$ |
| $5 \%$ | $\$ 25,000$ but less than $\$ 30,000$ |
| $4 \%$ | $\$ 30,000$ but less than $\$ 35,000$ |
| $4 \%$ | $\$ 35,000$ but less than $\$ 40,000$ |
| $7 \%$ | $\$ 40,000$ but less than $\$ 50,000$ |
| $9 \%$ | $\$ 50,000$ but less than $\$ 60,000$ |
| $6 \%$ | $\$ 60,000$ but less than $\$ 75,000$ |
| $4 \%$ | $\$ 75,000$ but less than $\$ 80,000$ |
| $7 \%$ | $\$ 80,000$ but less than $\$ 100,000$ |
| $20 \%$ | $\$ 100,000$ or more |
| $18 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

Education

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $5 \%$ | Less than High School |
| $26 \%$ | High School Graduate |
| $31 \%$ | Some College |
| $6 \%$ | Technical/Vocational |
| $21 \%$ | College Graduate |
| $11 \%$ | Post-Graduate |
| $1 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

What is your race?

| 1009 | Base |
| :---: | :--- |
| $75 \%$ | White or Caucasian |
| $11 \%$ | Black or African-American |
| $6 \%$ | Hispanic |
| $1 \%$ | American Indian or Alaskan Native |
| $1 \%$ | Asian (e.g., Asian Indian, Chinese, <br> Filipino, Japanese, Korean, <br> Vietnamese) |
| $*$ | Native Hawaiian or Other Pacific <br> Islander (e.g., Samoan, Guamanian or <br> Chamorro) |
| $1 \%$ | Other ethnic origin |
| $4 \%$ | Don't Know/Refuse |

