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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted August 5-8, 2010 with a random sample of –1,013—adults, aged 18+, living in the continental U.S., selected using random-digit dial sampling.

For results based on the total sample of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is ± 4 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –508—national adults in Form A and –505—national adults in Form B, the maximum margins of sampling error are ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –499—adults employed full- or part-time, the maximum margin of sampling error is ± 5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of –218—parents with children in Kindergarten through Grade 12, the maximum margin of sampling error is ± 8 percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones (for respondents with a landline telephone) and cellular phones (for respondents who are cell phone only). Each sample includes a minimum quota of 150 cell phone only respondents and 850 landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas among landline respondents for gender within region. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted on the basis of gender, age, race, education, region and phone lines. Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2009 Current Population Survey figures for the age 18+ non-institutionalized population living in continental U.S. telephone households. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting and sample design.

In addition to sampling error, question wording and practical difficulties in conducting surveys can introduce error or bias into the findings of public opinion polls.

16. Overall, how satisfied are you with the quality of education students receive in kindergarten through grade twelve in the U.S. today -- would you say you are completely satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied or completely dissatisfied?

	<u>Completely satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Completely dissatisfied</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Aug 5-8	9	34	37	17	2
2009 Aug 6-9	8	37	35	17	3
2008 Aug 7-10	7	37	38	15	3
2007 Aug 13-16	7	39	35	16	3
2006 Aug 7-10	8	37	33	19	3
2005 Aug 8-11	9	37	35	16	3
2004 Aug 9-11	10	43	32	13	2
2003 Aug 4-6	8	40	34	16	2
2002 Aug 5-8	7	40	32	18	3
2001 Aug 16-19	10	38	32	17	3
2000 Aug 24-27	7	29	40	21	3
1999 Aug 24-26	8	39	38	13	2

19. *(Asked of parents with children in grades kindergarten through 12)* How satisfied are you with the quality of education your oldest child is receiving? Would you say you are completely satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied or completely dissatisfied?

BASED ON --218-- K-12 PARENTS

	<u>Completely satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat satisfied</u>	<u>Somewhat dissatisfied</u>	<u>Completely dissatisfied</u>	<u>Just starting school (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Aug 5-8						
<i>All parents</i>	35	45	12	7	2	1
<i>Public school parents ^</i>	31	47	13	7	2	1
2009 Aug 6-9	39	37	14	7	2	1
2008 Aug 7-10	35	42	17	3	2	1
2007 Aug 13-16	25	53	13	6	1	2
2006 Aug 7-10	35	42	12	7	3	1
2005 Aug 8-11	33	45	13	7	2	*
2004 Aug 9-11	32	47	15	4	2	*
2003 Aug 4-6	38	39	13	8	2	*
2002 Aug 5-8	29	39	20	7	4	1
2001 Aug 16-19	35	37	14	9	3	2
2000 Aug 24-27	31	47	12	6	4	*
1999 Aug 24-26	37	46	12	2	2	1

^ BASED ON --182-- K-12 PARENTS WHOSE OLDEST CHILD ATTENDS PUBLIC SCHOOL (±8 PCT. PTS.)

21. In terms of public education in this country, do you think the federal government [ROTATED: should be more involved in education than it currently is, should keep its involvement about the same, (or) should be less involved in education than it currently is]?

	<u>More involved</u>	<u>Keep the same</u>	<u>Less involved</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>National adults</u>				
2010 Aug 5-8	43	20	35	1
2000 Apr 7-9	46	22	29	3
<u>K-12 Parents</u>				
2010 Aug 5-8	56	16	27	1
2000 Apr 7-9	50	22	26	2