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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted August 27-30, 2010 with a random sample of 1,021 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 519 national adults in Form A and 502 national adults in Form B, the maximum margins of sampling error are ±5 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of 928 registered voters, the maximum margin of sampling error is ±4 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.

25. Since Barack Obama took office, do you think the Republican Party has become more conservative, or not?

	<u>Yes, more conservative</u>	<u>No, not more conservative</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Aug 27-30	54	40	6

26. *(Asked of those who think the Republican Party has gotten more conservative)* Do you think that is a good thing or a bad thing?

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	<u>Good thing</u>	<u>Bad thing</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Aug 27-30	50	48	2

COMBINED RESPONSES (Q.25/26): BASED ON NATIONAL ADULTS

2010 Aug 27-30

Yes, more conservative	54
<i>(Good thing)</i>	<i>(27)</i>
<i>(Bad thing)</i>	<i>(26)</i>
<i>(No opinion)</i>	<i>(1)</i>
No, not more conservative	40
No opinion	6

27. *(Asked of those who think the Republican Party has gotten more conservative)* Do you think the Republican Party has become more conservative mostly because of the influence of the Tea Party movement or mostly for other reasons?

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	<u>Tea Party influence</u>	<u>Other reasons</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Aug 27-30	36	60	5

COMBINED RESPONSES (Q.25/27): BASED ON NATIONAL ADULTS

2010 Aug 27-30

Yes, more conservative	54
<i>(Mostly because of Tea Party influence)</i>	<i>(19)</i>
<i>(Mostly for other reasons)</i>	<i>(35)</i>
No, not more conservative	40
No opinion	6

Finally,

28. Do you consider yourself to be – [ROTATED: a supporter of the Tea Party movement, an opponent of the Tea Party movement], or neither?

	<u>Supporter</u>	<u>Opponent</u>	<u>Neither</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Aug 27-30	30	27	34	9
2010 Jun 11-13	31	30	32	7
2010 May 24-25	29	28	37	6
2010 Mar 26-28	28	26	38	8