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2010 MIDTERM ELECTION POLLING: WAVES 2 AND 3

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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted September 30-October 3 and October 7-10, 2010, with a random sample of -3,055—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 ± 2 percentage points.

For results based on the sample of -2,747-- registered voters, the maximum margin of sampling error is ± 2 percentage points.

Results for likely voters are based on a sample of - 1,953 -- survey respondents deemed most likely to vote in the November 2010 General Election, according to a series of questions measuring current voting intentions and past voting behavior. For results based on the sample of likely voters, the maximum margin of sampling error is ± 3 percentage points. Gallup provides two likely voter estimates using this sample. The lower turnout estimate assumes 40% national adult turnout and applies additional weights within the broad likely voter sample to match this turnout assumption. The higher turnout estimate gives all likely voters the same weight and represents a turnout level of 55% of national adults.

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 per 1,000 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.

2. *(Asked of registered voters)* If the elections for Congress were being held today, which party's candidate would you vote for in your Congressional district -- [ROTATED: the Democratic Party's candidate or the Republican Party's candidate]?
- 2A. *(Asked of those who are undecided)* As of today, do you lean more toward -- [ROTATE: the Democratic Party's candidate or the Republican Party's candidate]?

	<u>Democratic candidate</u>	<u>Republican candidate</u>	<u>Undecided/ other</u>
<i><u>LIKELY VOTERS: Lower turnout (40% of adults)</u></i>			
2010 Sep 30-Oct 3; Oct 7-10	39	56	5
2010 Sep 23-26; Sep 30-Oct 3	38	56	6
<i><u>LIKELY VOTERS: Higher turnout (55% of adults)</u></i>			
2010 Sep 30-Oct 3; Oct 7-10	41	53	5
2010 Sep 23-26; Sep 30-Oct 3	40	53	7
<i><u>REGISTERED VOTERS: Full turnout</u></i>			
2010 Sep 30-Oct 3; Oct 7-10	44	47	9
2010 Sep 23-26; Sep 30-Oct 3	43	46	10

For comparison: Registered voters, 2010 Gallup Daily

	<u>Democratic candidate</u>	<u>Republican candidate</u>	<u>Undecided/ other</u>
2010 Sep 20-26	46	46	9
2010 Sep 13-19	46	45	8
2010 Sep 6-12	43	48	9
2010 Aug 30-Sep 5	46	46	8
2010 Aug 23-29	41	51	8
2010 Aug 16-22	44	47	9
2010 Aug 9-15	43	50	7
2010 Aug 2-8	43	49	9
2010 Jul 26-Aug 1	43	48	8
2010 Jul 19-25	48	44	8
2010 Jul 12-18	49	43	8
2010 Jul 5-11	47	46	7
2010 Jun 28-Jul 4	44	46	10
2010 Jun 21-27	46	45	9
2010 Jun 14-20	46	46	8
2010 Jun 7-13	44	49	8
2010 May 31-June 6	46	46	8
2010 May 24-30	43	49	8
2010 May 17-23	47	46	8
2010 May 10-16	45	46	11
2010 May 3-9	46	46	10
2010 Apr 26-May 2	45	45	10
2010 Apr 19-25	45	45	10
2010 Apr 12-18	43	46	11
2010 Apr 5-11	44	48	9
2010 Mar 29-Apr 4	46	46	8
2010 Mar 22-28	44	47	10
2010 Mar 15-21	47	45	8
2010 Mar 8-14	47	44	9
2010 Mar 1-7	47	44	9

3. Would you say you are enthusiastic or not enthusiastic about voting in this year's Congressional elections?
(If “*enthusiastic, probe:*”) Are you very enthusiastic or somewhat enthusiastic?

BASED ON -2,747—REGISTERED VOTERS

	<u>Very</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u>				
2010 Sep 30-Oct 3; Oct 7-10	36	26	37	2
2010 Sep 23-26; Sep 30-Oct 3	37	23	38	2
<u>REPUBLICANS</u>				
2010 Sep 30-Oct 3; Oct 7-10 ^	45	27	26	1
2010 Sep 23-26; Sep 30-Oct 3	50	20	28	2
<u>INDEPENDENTS</u>				
2010 Sep 30-Oct 3; Oct 7-10 ^	31	22	45	1
2010 Sep 23-26; Sep 30-Oct 3	29	24	45	2
<u>DEMOCRATS</u>				
2010 Sep 30-Oct 3; Oct 7-10 ^	31	29	40	1
2010 Sep 23-26; Sep 30-Oct 3	33	26	39	2

^ Based on -893-- Republican registered voters; ± 4 PCT PTS

^ Based on -891-- independent registered voters; ± 4 PCT PTS

^ Based on -869-- Democratic registered voters; ± 4 PCT PTS

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Q.3 (ENTHUSIASM ABOUT VOTING) CONTINUED

For comparison: *Registered voters, 2010 Gallup Daily, % “Very enthusiastic”*

	All registered <u>voters</u>	Republican registered <u>voters</u>	Independent registered <u>voters</u>	Democratic registered <u>voters</u>
2010 Sep 20-26	34	48	26	28
2010 Sep 13-19	34	47	27	28
2010 Sep 6-12	35	49	26	31
2010 Aug 30-Sep 5	34	50	28	25
2010 Aug 23-29	35	50	28	25
2010 Aug 16-22	32	46	29	23
2010 Aug 9-15	34	44	29	27
2010 Aug 2-8	32	44	24	28
2010 Jul 26-Aug 1	31	44	27	22
2010 Jul 19-25	34	46	30	28
2010 Jul 12-18	36	51	31	28
2010 Jul 5-11	32	40	30	28
2010 Jun 28-Jul 4	30	41	26	26
2010 Jun 21-27	32	47	26	23
2010 Jun 14-20	31	42	27	27
2010 Jun 7-13	33	43	26	28
2010 May 31-June 6	31	46	24	24
2010 May 24-30	29	39	25	24
2010 May 17-23	30	39	28	25
2010 May 10-16	30	40	29	23
2010 May 3-9	34	43	30	30
2010 Apr 26-May 2	35	43	29	33
2010 Apr 19-25	35	47	27	34
2010 Apr 12-18	33	45	27	28
2010 Apr 5-11	38	48	38	30
2010 Mar 29-Apr 4	39	54	30	35
2010 Mar 22-28	40	50	38	35
2010 Mar 15-21	32	43	31	25
2010 Mar 8-14	30	39	29	24
2010 Mar 1-7	32	43	28	27