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-- FINAL TOPLINE --

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Note: Q.3 and Q.18 should be cited as a Gallup poll.

Results are based on telephone interviews conducted November 19-21, 2010 with a random sample of ~1,037—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.

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.

12. Next, as you may know, Congress is considering several issues during its lame duck session between now and the end of the year. The lame duck session includes many current members of Congress who will leave when the new Congress takes over in January. How important is it to you that the current lame duck Congress complete action on each of the following this year – very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not important at all? How about – [RANDOM ORDER]?

A. Extending some form of the federal income tax cuts passed under George W. Bush that are set to expire at the end of this year

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Nov 19-21	50	31	8	8	2

B. Extending unemployment benefits for the long-term unemployed

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Nov 19-21	48	28	13	11	1

C. Ratifying the nuclear arms agreement with Russia, called the “START” treaty

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Nov 19-21	40	33	12	9	7

D. Passing legislation that would allow illegal immigrants brought to the U.S. as children to gain legal resident status if they join the military or go to college

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Nov 19-21	31	29	16	22	3

E. Passing legislation to allow openly gay men and women to serve in the military

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Nov 19-21	32	24	18	23	2

F. Passing legislation that would keep the Estate Tax from increasing significantly next year

	<u>Very important</u>	<u>Somewhat important</u>	<u>Not too important</u>	<u>Not at all important</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2010 Nov 19-21	56	26	9	8	1