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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted April 20-23, 2011 with a random sample of **–1,013—**adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia.

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 **–536—**national adults in Form C and **–477—**national adults in Form D, the maximum margins of sampling error are **±5** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–902—** registered voters, the maximum margin of sampling error is **±4** percentage points.

For results based on the sample of **–484—** Republicans and Republican-leaning independents, the maximum margin of sampling error is **±5** percentage points.

Interviews are conducted with respondents on landline telephones and cellular phones, with interviews conducted in Spanish for respondents who are primarily Spanish-speaking. Each sample includes a minimum quota of 400 cell phone respondents and 600 landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas among landline respondents for gender within region. Landline numbers are chosen at random among listed telephone numbers, cell phone numbers are selected using random-digit dial methods. Landline respondents are chosen at random within each household on the basis of which member had the most recent birthday.

Samples are weighted by gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, adults in the household, and phone status (cell phone only/landline only/both, having an unlisted landline number, and being cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2010 Current Population Survey figures for the age 18+ non-institutionalized population living in 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.

19. Which do you think is more to blame for the federal budget deficit—[ROTATED: spending too much money on federal programs that are either not needed or wasteful, (or) not raising enough money in taxes to pay for needed federal programs]?

| | <u>Spending too much on programs</u> | <u>Not raising enough money in taxes</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
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20. As you may know, Congress can reduce the federal budget deficit by cutting spending, raising taxes, or a combination of the two. Ideally, how would you prefer to see Congress attempt to reduce the federal budget deficit – [ROTATED: only with spending cuts, mostly with spending cuts, equally with spending cuts and tax increases, mostly with tax increases, (or) only with tax increases]?

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| Only with spending cuts | 20 |
| Mostly with spending cuts | 28 |
| Equally with spending cuts/Tax increases | 37 |
| Mostly with tax increases | 9 |
| Only with tax increases | 2 |
| Other (vol.) | 1 |
| No opinion | 3 |