#### GALLUP NEWS SERVICE

#### **RATINGS OF 2012 PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES**

Results are based on telephone interviews conducted April 12-15, 2012, on the Gallup Daily tracking survey, with a random sample of – 2,061 -- 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  $\pm 3$  percentage points.

For results based on the total sample of -948---Republicans and Republican-leaning independents, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is  $\pm 4$  percentage points.

For results based on the total sample of -852-- Democrats and Democratic-leaning independents, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is ±4 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 daily sample of 1,000 national adults includes a minimum quota of 400 cell phone respondents and 600 landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas among landline respondents by 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, phone status (cell phone only/landline only/both, having an unlisted landline number, and cell phone mostly). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2011 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.

Question(s) were asked of a random half-sample on four nights' of the Gallup Daily tracking survey.

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.

1. Next, I am going to mention the names of some people in the news. For each one, please tell me if you recognize the name, or not. How about – [RANDOM ORDER]?

2012 Apr 12-15 (Figures are percent recognizing each candidate)	National adults	Republicans/ Republican leaners	Democrats/ Democratic leaners
Mitt Romney	90	96	89
Rick Santorum	80	87	79

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## Q.1 (RECOGNITION OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES) CONTINUED

## FULL RESULTS AND TRENDS:

# A. Mitt Romney

	Yes, recognize	<u>No, do not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
National adults			
2012 Apr 12-15	90	10	*
2012 Mar 1-4	89	11	*
2012 Jan 12-15	85	15	1
2011 Dec 12-18	82	18	*
Republicans/Republican leaners		,	
2012 Apr 12-15	96	4	
2012 Mar 1-4	95	5	
2012 Jan 12-15	89	10	*
2011 Dec 12-18	90	10	
Democrats/Democratic leaners			
2012 Apr 12-15	89	11	
2012 Mar 1-4	89	11	
2012 Jan 12-15	86	14	Υ.
2011 Dec 12-18	82	18	

#### **B. Rick Santorum**

	Yes, recognize	<u>No, do not</u>	No opinion
National adults			
2012 Apr 12-15	80	20	*
2012 Mar 1-4	78	22	*
2012 Jan 12-15	67	33	*
2011 Dec 12-18	48	52	*
Republicans/Republican leaners			
2012 Apr 12-15	87	13	
2012 Mar 1-4	87	13	
2012 Jan 12-15	77	23	*
2011 Dec 12-18	58	42	*
Democrats/Democratic leaners			
2012 Apr 12-15	79	21	*
2012 Mar 1-4	77	23	
2012 Jan 12-15	65	35	*
2012 Juli 12 13 2011 Dec 12-18	47	53	*

2. (Asked of those who recognize each candidate) Now, please tell me whether you have a generally favorable or unfavorable impression of – [RANDOM ORDER]?
 Is that a strongly (favorable/unfavorable) opinion or just (a/an) (favorable/unfavorable) opinion?]

#### SUMMARY TABLE: INTENSITY SCORE

2012 Apr 12-15	National adults	Republicans/ Republican leaners	Democrats/ Democratic leaners		
Mitt Romney	-3	21	-30		
Barack Obama	-4	-47	36		
Rick Santorum	-6	18	-33		

Positive intensity scores are the percentage with a strongly favorable opinion of a candidate minus the percentage with a strongly unfavorable opinion, among those familiar with the candidate.

Note: Obama figures based on all respondents, recognition of Obama not measured and he is assumed to be recognized by all respondents.

#### **DETAILED RESULTS AND TRENDS:**

#### A. Mitt Romney

	Strongly favorable	Favor- <u>able</u>	Un <u>-</u> favorable	Strongly unfavor <u>-</u> <u>able</u>	No <u>opinion</u>	Int- ensity <u>score</u>	<u>N</u>	Margin <u>of error</u>
National adults								
2012 Apr 12-15	12	38	24	15	11	-3	1,949	$\pm 3$
2012 Mar 1-4	11	35	30	17	9	-6	1,930	$\pm 3$
2012 Jan 12-15	10	38	30	11	12	-1	1,836	±3
2011 Dec 12-18	8	42	30	8	12	0	1,972	±3
<b>Republicans/Leaners</b>								
2012 Apr 12-15	24	56	12	3	5	21	931	$\pm 4$
2012 Mar 1-4	20	47	19	8	6	13	897	$\pm 4$
2012 Jan 12-15	19	50	19	6	7	12	816	$\pm 4$
2011 Dec 12-18	15	55	18	4	7	12	914	$\pm 4$
<b>Democrats/Leaners</b>								
2012 Apr 12-15	1	21	39	31	7	-30	796	$\pm 4$
2012 Mar 1-4	3	23	43	26	6	-23	813	$\pm 4$
2012 Jan 12-15	5	32	39	16	9	-12	832	$\pm 4$
2011 Dec 12-18	2	30	43	14	12	-12	834	$\pm 4$

# Q.2 (IMAGES OF PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATES) CONTINUED

## **B. Rick Santorum**

	Strongly favorable	Favor- <u>able</u>	Un <u>-</u> favorable	Strongly unfavor <u>-</u> <u>able</u>	No <u>opinion</u>	Int- ensity <u>score</u>	<u>N</u>	Margin <u>of error</u>
National adults								
2012 Apr 12-15	12	35	24	19	10	-6	1,812	±3
2012 Mar 1-4	12	33	25	20	10	-8	1,766	±3
2012 Jan 12-15	10	35	25	17	14	-7	1,555	$\pm 3$
2011 Dec 12-18	8	33	31	13	15	-5	1,305	±3
<b>Republicans/Leaners</b>								
2012 Apr 12-15	24	50	15	6	6	18	881	$\pm 4$
2012 Mar 1-4	21	47	19	5	8	15	844	$\pm 4$
2012 Jan 12-15	18	51	17	6	9	12	729	±5
2011 Dec 12-18	14	46	24	3	13	11	667	$\pm 5$
Democrats/Leaners								
2012 Apr 12-15	3	21	35	35	7	-33	737	$\pm 5$
2012 Mar 1-4	3	18	34	<i>3</i> 8	7	-36	735	$\pm 5$
2012 Jan 12-15	3	23	34	30	11	-28	687	$\pm 5$
2011 Dec 12-18	1	21	39	25	15	-24	534	±5

### C. Barack Obama

	Strongly <u>favorable</u>	Favor- <u>able</u>	Un <u>-</u> favorable	Strongly unfavor <u>-</u> <u>able</u>	No <u>opinion</u>	Int- ensity <u>score</u>	<u>N</u>	Margin <u>of error</u>
<b>National adults</b> 2012 Apr 12-15 2012 Mar 1-4	21 21	31 29	18 19	25 27	5 4	-4 -6	2,061 2,065	$\pm 3$ $\pm 3$
2012 Jan 12-15 2011 Dec 12-18	21 21 17	31 31	19 19 20	24 28	5 4	-3 -11	2,005 2,010 3,025	$\pm 3$ $\pm 2$
<b>Republicans/Leaners</b> 2012 Apr 12-15 2012 Mar 1-4 2012 Jan 12-15	3 4 5	15 11 12	29 30 31	50 53 49	3 3 3	-47 -49 -44	948 922 860	±4 ±4 ±4
2011 Dec 12-18 Democrats/Leaners	3	14	28	53	2	-50	1,348	±3
2012 Apr 12-15 2012 Mar 1-4 2012 Jan 12-15 2011 Dec 12-18	41 42 38 35	45 44 46 46	6 7 8 9	5 5 6 7	3 2 3 3	36 36 32 27	852 876 906 1,287	±4 ±4 ±4 ±4