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Results are based on telephone interviews conducted June 1-4, 2013 with a random sample of **-1,529—adults, aged 18+, living in all 50 U.S. states and the District of Columbia.** For results based on these samples of national adults, one can say with 95% confidence that the margin of error is **±3 percentage points.**

For results based on the samples of **-755—national adults in Form A and -774—national adults in Form B,** the margin of sampling 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 sample of national adults includes a minimum quota of 50% cell phone respondents and 50% landline respondents, with additional minimum quotas by region. Landline telephone numbers are chosen at random among listed telephone numbers. Cell phones 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 to correct for unequal selection probability, non-response, and double coverage of landline and cell users in the two sampling frames. They are also weighted to match the national demographics of gender, age, race, Hispanic ethnicity, education, region, population density, and phone status (cell phone-only/landline only/both, cell phone mostly, and having an unlisted landline number). Demographic weighting targets are based on the March 2012 Current Population Survey figures for the aged 18 and older U.S. population. Phone status targets are based on the July-December 2011 National Health Interview Survey. Population density targets are based on the 2010 census. All reported margins of sampling error include the computed design effects for weighting.

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.

7. Overall, how would you rate the ethical standards of top Obama administration officials – as excellent, good, not good, or poor?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Not good</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>Barack Obama</u>					
2013 Jun 1-4	8	42	17	32	2
<u>George W. Bush</u>					
2005 Oct 21-23 [^]	11	40	19	29	1
2005 Jul 22-24 [^]	8	47	24	18	3
2002 Jul 26-28	15	59	15	8	3
<u>Bill Clinton</u>					
1994 Mar 7-8	4	53	20	21	2
1994 Jan 15-17	6	37	39	16	2
<u>George H.W. Bush</u>					
1989 May 12-16 †	5	54	20	7	13
<u>Ronald Reagan</u>					
1984 Oct 22-23 † ‡	7	60	17	12	4
1984 Sep 7-11 † ‡	6	58	19	15	3
1983 Jul 28-Aug 1 †	5	59	22	9	4

[^] Asked of a half sample.

† ABC/Washington Post Trend.

‡ Based on registered voters.

9. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling -- [ITEMS A-H READ IN RANDOM ORDER, ITEM I READ LAST]?

I. The situation involving the IRS

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Jun 1-4	32	58	10

17. How closely have you followed the news that the Internal Revenue Service or IRS, gave greater scrutiny to conservative political groups applying for tax exempt status than it did to liberal political groups -- very closely, somewhat closely, not too closely, or not at all?

	<u>Very closely</u>	<u>Somewhat closely</u>	<u>Not too closely</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Jun 1-4	20	34	24	21	1

18. How serious do you consider the IRS giving greater scrutiny to conservative political groups applying for tax-exempt status -- very serious, somewhat serious, not too serious, or not serious at all?

	<u>Very Serious</u>	<u>Somewhat serious</u>	<u>Not too serious</u>	<u>Not serious at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Jun 1-4	49	28	12	7	4

Q.19/20 SPLIT SAMPLED

19. *(Asked of a half sample)* Do you think high ranking Obama administration officials were aware of IRS targeting of conservative groups, or do you think knowledge of the practice was mainly limited to IRS employees in the Cincinnati office where applications for tax-exempt status are processed?

BASED ON –755—NATIONAL ADULTS IN FORM A

	<u>High ranking Obama officials were aware</u>	<u>Knowledge limited to IRS employees in one office</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Jun 1-4	50	36	14

20. *(Asked of a half sample)* Do you think high ranking IRS officials in Washington were aware of IRS targeting of conservative groups, or do you think knowledge of the practice was mainly limited to IRS employees in the Cincinnati office where applications for tax-exempt status are processed?

BASED ON –774—NATIONAL ADULTS IN FORM B

	<u>High ranking IRS officials were aware</u>	<u>Knowledge limited to IRS employees in one office</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2013 Jun 1-4	59	25	16