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**OBAMA APPROVAL PLUNGE PULLS DOWN DEMOCRATS,
QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY NATIONAL POLL FINDS;
HIKE MINIMUM WAGE, VOTERS SAY MORE THAN 2-1**

President Barack Obama's job approval among American voters drops to a new low, a negative 38 – 57 percent, as the outlook for Democrats running for Congress and the U.S. Senate fades also, according to a national poll released today. He even gets a negative 41 – 49 percent among voters 18 to 29 years old and a lackluster 50 – 43 percent approval among Hispanic voters.

The president's job approval compares to a negative 39 – 54 percent score in a November 12 survey by the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University.

Today, Obama gets negative scores of 6 – 92 percent among Republicans, 30 – 62 percent among independent voters, 31 – 64 percent among men, 44 – 49 percent among women and 29 – 65 among white voters. Approval is 76 – 18 percent among Democrats and 85 – 9 percent among black voters.

American voters say 41 – 38 percent that they would vote for a Republican over a Democrat for the U.S. House of Representatives, the first time this year the Democrats come up on the short end of this generic ballot. Independent voters back Republican candidates 41 – 28 percent. Voters also say 47 – 42 percent that they would like to see Republicans gain control of the U.S. Senate and the House. Independent voters go Republican 50 – 35 percent for each.

"A rousing chorus of Bah! Humbug! for President Barack Obama as American voters head into the holidays with little charitable to say about the president," said Tim Malloy, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute.

"President Obama could be pretty lonely during his last two years in office if voters decide they want Republican majorities in the House and Senate."

American voters disapprove 74 – 19 percent of the way Republicans in Congress are doing their job and disapprove 67 – 27 percent of Democrats in Congress.

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President Obama is not honest and trustworthy, American voters say 52 – 44 percent and is not a strong leader, voters say 51 – 47 percent. Voters are divided 48 – 49 percent on whether Obama cares about their needs and problems.

Voters approve 50 – 41 percent of the way Obama is handling terrorism, but give him negative grades for his handling of other issues:

- 37 – 59 percent on his handling of the economy;
- 34 – 62 percent on health care;
- 42 – 49 percent on foreign policy.

Minimum Wage

American voters support 69 – 27 percent, including 49 – 44 percent among Republicans, raising the minimum wage. No group is opposed. Offered several options, voter opinions are:

- 29 percent to increase the minimum wage from the \$7.25 per hour to \$10.10;
- 16 percent to increase the minimum wage to less than \$10.10 per hour;
- 22 percent to increase it to more than \$10.10 per hour;
- 27 percent opposed to any increase.

A minimum wage increase will not curtail job growth, voters say 48 – 43 percent.

Iranian Nuclear Agreement

American voters give the president a negative 40 – 48 percent approval for his handling of the situation in Iran. Voters are divided on the latest agreement to limit Iran's nuclear weapons, with 44 percent supporting the agreement and 46 percent opposed.

The agreement makes America less safe, voters say 45 – 37 percent. Saying less safe are Republicans 68 – 20 percent and independent voters 44 – 37 percent. The agreement makes the U.S. safer, Democrats say 56 – 24 percent.

Israel will be less safe because of the agreement, voters say 52 – 29 percent.

“Americans are pretty much split on whether the deal to take the teeth out of Iran's nuke program is a good idea. But the one thing they agree on in big numbers is that Israel better watch its back,” Malloy said.

From December 3 – 9, Quinnipiac University surveyed 2,692 registered voters nationwide with a margin of error of +/- 1.9 percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts public opinion surveys in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Florida, Ohio, Virginia, Iowa, Colorado and the nation as a public service and for research.

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1. If the election for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, would you vote for the Republican candidate or for the Democratic candidate in your district?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Republican	41%	87%	3%	41%	48%	35%	48%	8%	28%	
Democratic	38	2	88	28	30	46	31	80	56	
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	-	-	5	3	2	3	-	1	
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	-	2	3	4	1	2	-	2	
DK/NA	16	10	7	23	15	16	16	11	13	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Republican	8%	29%	71%	36%	43%	46%	29%	43%	44%	42%
Democratic	78	46	12	43	39	37	45	37	37	40
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	3	2	2	3	2	6	3	2	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	2	2	3	1	2	5	2	2	1
DK/NA	9	20	13	16	13	12	15	15	15	15

TREND: If the election for the U.S. House of Representatives were being held today, would you vote for the Republican candidate or for the Democratic candidate in your district?

	DEMOCRATIC ADVANTAGE						
	Dec 10 2013	Nov 13 2013	Oct 01 2013	Aug 02 2013	Jul 12 2013	High Oct 01 2013	Low Dec 10 2013
Republican	41	39	34	36	34	34	41
Democratic	38	39	43	40	39	43	38
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	3	4	3	3	4	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	2	2	2	2	2	2
DK/NA	16	18	17	19	21	17	16

3. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	38%	6%	76%	30%	31%	44%	29%	85%	50%	
Disapprove	57	92	18	62	64	49	65	9	43	
DK/NA	6	2	5	8	5	7	5	6	7	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	74%	44%	13%	42%	37%	36%	41%	37%	37%	37%
Disapprove	19	50	83	51	58	61	49	57	58	58
DK/NA	7	6	3	7	5	3	11	5	4	5

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President? (* High also 59% Mar 2009)

	APPROVE.....						
	Dec 10 2013	Nov 12 2013	Oct 01 2013	Aug 02 2013	Jul 11 2013	High Jun 04 2009*	Low Dec 10 2013
Approve	38	39	45	46	44	59	38
Disapprove	57	54	49	48	48	31	57
DK/NA	6	7	6	6	8	10	6

4. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	19%	38%	6%	16%	20%	17%	18%	13%	26%	
Disapprove	74	54	91	75	74	74	74	82	69	
DK/NA	7	9	3	9	6	9	8	5	5	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....									
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	6%	14%	30%	19%	19%	14%	20%	19%	18%	19%
Disapprove	90	80	61	72	75	83	71	75	76	73
DK/NA	4	6	8	9	6	3	10	6	6	8

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republicans in Congress are handling their job? (* High also 34% Mar 2011, Mar 2010)

	APPROVE.....									
	High Low									
	Dec 10	Nov 13	Oct 01	Aug 02	Jul 12	Mar 31	Oct 01			
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2011*	2013			
Approve	19	20	17	19	19	34	17			
Disapprove	74	73	74	73	71	55	74			
DK/NA	7	8	9	8	10	11	9			

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling their job?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	27%	4%	59%	19%	22%	32%	20%	69%	39%	
Disapprove	67	93	36	72	73	60	74	25	55	
DK/NA	6	3	5	9	5	8	7	6	6	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....									
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	56%	30%	10%	31%	27%	25%	31%	26%	26%	28%
Disapprove	37	64	86	61	69	73	57	69	69	65
DK/NA	7	6	4	8	4	3	13	4	5	7

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democrats in Congress are handling their job? (* Low also 24% Sep 2011, Oct 2011)

	APPROVE.....									
	High Low									
	Dec 10	Nov 13	Oct 01	Aug 02	Jul 12	Mar 4	Nov 23			
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2009	2011*			
Approve	27	30	32	31	29	45	24			
Disapprove	67	62	60	61	62	45	69			
DK/NA	6	7	8	7	9	10	7			

6. In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in the nation today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Very satisfied	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%	1%	3%	3%
Smwht satisfied	22	6	42	17	19	25	16	50	31
Smwht dissatisfied	30	25	34	32	29	32	31	31	27
Very dissatisfied	46	68	21	50	51	41	51	16	38
DK/NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-

	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Very satisfied	3%	2%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Smwht satisfied	38	26	10	24	21	22	33	22	18	19
Smwht dissatisfied	37	35	24	29	32	32	38	32	25	30
Very dissatisfied	22	37	66	45	44	45	27	44	55	48
DK/NA	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1

TREND: In general, how satisfied are you with the way things are going in the nation today; are you very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, somewhat dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

						VERY+SMWHT SAT	
						High	Low
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Aug 02	Jul 11	Dec 11	Nov 13
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2001	2008
Very satisfied	2	2	2	2	3	21	2
Smwht satisfied	22	19	23	26	28	47	14
Smwht dissatisfied	30	31	34	29	29	19	38
Very dissatisfied	46	47	41	41	40	10	44
DK/NA	-	1	1	1	-	3	2

27. And if the election were today, would you want to see the Republican Party or the Democratic Party win control of the United States Senate?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Republican Party	47%	94%	5%	50%	56%	39%	55%	8%	33%
Democratic Party	42	2	89	35	35	50	35	86	57
DK/NA	11	4	6	15	9	12	10	6	10

	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Republican Party	8%	37%	79%	40%	52%	53%	35%	49%	50%	50%
Democratic Party	84	50	14	47	42	42	51	40	41	42
DK/NA	7	13	7	12	7	6	14	11	9	9

28. And if the election were today, would you want to see the Republican Party or the Democratic Party win control of the United States House of Representatives?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Republican Party	47%	94%	5%	50%	55%	40%	55%	9%	30%	
Democratic Party	42	2	89	35	36	49	34	86	62	
DK/NA	11	4	5	15	10	11	10	5	8	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....									
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Republican Party	9%	38%	79%	40%	51%	53%	37%	49%	49%	50%
Democratic Party	83	51	14	48	41	41	48	41	42	40
DK/NA	8	11	7	12	7	6	15	10	9	9

29. Do you think of your vote for the United States House of Representatives in your district as a vote for Barack Obama, or as a vote against Barack Obama, or isn't Barack Obama much of a factor in your vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
For Obama	20%	2%	46%	13%	14%	26%	13%	60%	36%	
Against Obama	33	62	6	34	37	30	39	5	22	
Not much of a factor	43	34	43	49	47	39	44	30	39	
DK/NA	4	1	5	3	2	6	4	5	3	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....									
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
For Obama	42%	22%	8%	27%	17%	15%	24%	15%	21%	23%
Against Obama	8	22	58	33	33	29	26	31	37	36
Not much of a factor	45	53	32	34	46	54	44	50	39	35
DK/NA	5	4	2	5	3	2	6	3	3	6

30. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right; almost all of the time, most of the time, only some of the time, or hardly ever?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Almost all the time	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	
Most of the time	11	6	22	6	10	12	9	19	24	
Some of the time	46	40	53	45	42	50	45	55	43	
Hardly ever	41	52	22	48	46	35	44	22	30	
DK/NA	1	1	1	-	1	2	1	1	-	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....									
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Almost all the time	2%	1%	1%	2%	-	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%
Most of the time	21	11	6	11	12	12	12	11	11	10
Some of the time	50	53	38	47	46	45	51	46	43	47
Hardly ever	28	34	53	38	42	41	34	40	45	40
DK/NA	-	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1	2

TREND: How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right; almost all of the time, most of the time, only some of the time, or hardly ever?

	ALMST+MOST....						
	High		Low				
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Jul 12	May 30	Mar 24	Dec 10
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2010	2013
Almost all the time	1	2	3	2	3	2	1
Most of the time	11	13	14	14	12	17	11
Some of the time	46	49	51	46	47	50	46
Hardly ever	41	35	31	37	36	30	41
DK/NA	1	1	2	1	1	1	1

31. Would you say that Barack Obama - is honest and trustworthy or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes	44%	11%	85%	36%	36%	52%	37%	89%	52%	
No	52	86	12	60	61	44	60	7	41	
DK/NA	4	3	3	3	3	5	4	5	7	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes	81%	52%	19%	47%	45%	44%	48%	44%	43%	44%
No	17	43	79	47	54	54	43	53	54	52
DK/NA	2	5	3	6	2	2	9	3	3	4

TREND: Would you say that Barack Obama is honest and trustworthy or not? (* Low also 44% Nov 2013)

	YES.....						
	High		Low				
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Jul 11	May 30	Jan 13	Dec 10
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2011	2013
Yes	44	44	54	50	49	63	44
No	52	52	41	44	47	31	52
DK/NA	4	4	4	5	5	6	4

32. Would you say that Barack Obama- has strong leadership qualities or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes	47%	19%	80%	40%	40%	53%	39%	89%	65%	
No	51	79	17	57	58	44	59	8	33	
DK/NA	2	2	3	2	2	3	2	2	2	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes	76%	56%	24%	53%	47%	41%	68%	49%	42%	36%
No	22	41	75	45	51	57	30	49	56	60
DK/NA	2	3	1	3	2	2	2	2	2	4

TREND: Would you say that Barack Obama has strong leadership qualities or not?

							YES.....	
							High	Low
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Jul 11	May 30		Jan 13	Dec 10
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013		2010	2013
Yes	47	48	53	52	53		66	47
No	51	50	45	46	45		32	51
DK/NA	2	2	3	3	2		2	2

33. Would you say that Barack Obama - cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes	48%	14%	86%	44%	42%	54%	41%	91%	59%
No	49	85	12	53	55	43	56	6	38
DK/NA	3	1	3	3	2	3	2	4	3

	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	SHOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes	85%	60%	20%	52%	51%	48%	59%	50%	45%	45%
No	14	38	78	44	47	52	36	48	53	53
DK/NA	1	3	3	4	1	1	5	3	2	2

TREND: Would you say that Barack Obama cares about the needs and problems of people like you or not?

							YES.....	
							High	Low
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Jul 11	May 30		Nov 12	Dec 10
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013		2008	2013
Yes	48	49	54	52	53		70	48
No	49	48	42	45	45		22	49
DK/NA	3	3	3	3	3		7	3

34. Which of the following do you think should be the most important priority for President Obama and Congress in 2014; the economy, the federal budget deficit, health care, taxes, gun policy, immigration issues, or something else?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Economy	41%	39%	45%	41%	40%	42%	41%	44%	43%
Deficit	22	35	11	21	27	18	24	12	16
Health care	14	11	19	14	11	18	14	22	13
Taxes	4	3	3	5	4	3	3	4	2
Gun policy	3	1	5	3	3	4	3	7	3
Immigration	5	2	7	5	4	6	4	4	17
Something else	8	7	7	9	9	6	8	5	6
DK/NA	3	2	3	3	3	3	3	3	1

	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	SHOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Economy	38%	44%	41%	41%	40%	42%	31%	41%	48%	38%
Deficit	15	20	29	17	27	30	27	23	21	20
Health care	18	15	12	17	13	12	14	14	15	14
Taxes	4	4	3	4	3	2	4	5	2	2
Gun policy	4	4	3	4	1	2	2	4	2	5
Immigration	8	5	3	7	3	3	8	5	3	6
Something else	11	5	7	6	10	7	13	6	7	8
DK/NA	2	3	3	3	2	1	2	2	2	7

35. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - the economy?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	37%	7%	73%	29%	31%	42%	30%	78%	40%	
Disapprove	59	91	23	66	66	53	66	16	54	
DK/NA	4	1	4	4	3	6	4	5	6	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY									
	Lib	Mod	Con	ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
				<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	69%	45%	14%	41%	35%	38%	37%	37%	36%	37%
Disapprove	26	50	85	55	60	60	55	59	61	59
DK/NA	5	5	2	4	5	2	8	3	3	4

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the economy?
(* Low also 32% Sep 2011)

	APPROVE.....									
	High Low									
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Aug 02	Jul 11	Mar 04	Oct 06			
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2009	2011*			
Approve	37	38	44	42	41	57	32			
Disapprove	59	59	52	54	55	33	64			
DK/NA	4	3	4	4	4	10	4			

36. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - health care?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	34%	4%	69%	28%	30%	39%	26%	78%	48%	
Disapprove	62	95	25	68	68	55	70	16	48	
DK/NA	4	1	6	4	2	6	4	5	5	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY									
	Lib	Mod	Con	ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
				<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	70%	40%	11%	37%	34%	35%	40%	33%	33%	34%
Disapprove	26	55	87	57	63	64	54	64	63	60
DK/NA	3	6	2	6	3	1	6	3	3	6

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling health care?

	APPROVE.....									
	High Low									
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Jul 11	Feb 23	Mar 30	Jul 02	Dec 10			
	2013	2013	2012	2012	2011	2009	2013			
Approve	34	36	43	40	38	46	34			
Disapprove	62	60	52	56	55	42	62			
DK/NA	4	4	5	5	7	13	4			

37. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - terrorism?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	50%	26%	79%	47%	49%	52%	46%	82%	62%	
Disapprove	41	66	13	45	45	38	46	11	30	
DK/NA	8	8	7	8	6	10	8	7	9	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....									
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	74%	61%	29%	51%	52%	57%	52%	56%	49%	44%
Disapprove	20	30	64	40	41	38	36	39	45	44
DK/NA	6	9	7	9	7	5	12	5	6	12

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling terrorism?

	APPROVE.....								
	High Low								
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Aug 02	Jul 11	May 05	Jan 13		
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2011*	2010		
Approve	50	52	52	54	52	67	48		
Disapprove	41	42	42	39	43	27	44		
DK/NA	8	6	6	6	6	7	8		

38. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - foreign policy?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	42%	12%	77%	36%	36%	47%	35%	74%	60%	
Disapprove	49	81	14	54	58	41	56	14	30	
DK/NA	9	7	9	9	6	12	9	12	11	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY ANNUAL HSHOLD INC AGE IN YRS.....									
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	74%	51%	17%	44%	40%	46%	43%	43%	40%	41%
Disapprove	18	39	75	44	53	50	43	48	51	51
DK/NA	8	9	8	12	6	5	14	8	9	7

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling foreign policy?

	APPROVE.....								
	High Low								
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Aug 02	Jul 11	Apr 29	Nov 12		
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2009	2013		
Approve	42	38	41	44	40	57	38		
Disapprove	49	53	53	50	52	32	53		
DK/NA	9	9	7	6	8	11	9		

39. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling - the situation in Iran?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Approve	40%	15%	70%	36%	37%	44%	35%	72%	50%	
Disapprove	48	78	18	50	53	43	53	16	39	
DK/NA	12	7	12	14	9	14	11	13	10	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSHOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Approve	68%	50%	19%	42%	42%	44%	37%	44%	41%	38%
Disapprove	21	36	73	45	49	47	45	44	51	51
DK/NA	10	14	9	13	10	9	18	12	8	11

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation in Iran?

	Dec 10 2013	Oct 01 2013	Nov 23 2011	Apr 22 2010	Oct 07 2009
Approve	40	48	46	44	45
Disapprove	48	40	38	43	39
DK/NA	12	12	16	13	17

40. Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Excellent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	
Good	20	8	33	19	20	20	18	31	24	
Not so good	44	41	48	43	43	45	42	50	48	
Poor	36	51	18	37	36	35	39	18	28	
DK/NA	1	-	1	-	-	1	-	1	-	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSHOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Excellent	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1%
Good	35	25	8	18	22	26	25	20	18	19
Not so good	47	46	41	43	46	44	52	45	41	42
Poor	18	28	50	38	32	28	23	35	41	37
DK/NA	-	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	1

TREND: Would you describe the state of the nation's economy these days as excellent, good, not so good, or poor?

	EXLNT+GOOD....						
	High		Low				
	Dec 10 2013	Nov 12 2013	Oct 01 2013	Aug 02 2013	Jul 11 2013	Dec 10 2003	Mar 04 2009
Excellent	-	1	-	1	2	3	-
Good	20	21	23	25	27	37	3
Not so good	44	41	44	40	41	42	28
Poor	36	36	31	33	30	16	68
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	1	-

41. Do you think the nation's economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Better	29%	11%	49%	26%	29%	28%	27%	42%	33%	
Worse	28	41	13	28	27	29	30	20	24	
The same	42	46	36	45	43	41	43	38	43	
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	-	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Better	51%	37%	11%	25%	33%	36%	34%	28%	28%	28%
Worse	13	19	42	32	24	18	25	23	34	28
The same	35	44	46	42	42	45	39	49	37	42
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	-	2	-	1	1

TREND: Do you think the nation's economy is getting better, getting worse, or staying about the same? (* Low also 11% Sep 2011)

	BETTER.....						
	High		Low				
	Dec 10	Nov 12	Oct 01	Aug 02	Jul 11	Jan 18	Oct 06
	2013	2013	2013	2013	2013	2011	2011*
Better	29	28	31	34	35	36	11
Worse	28	31	24	25	22	20	44
The same	42	40	44	40	43	43	44
DK/NA	1	1	1	1	1	2	1

44. Do you think that in general the Obama administration has been competent in running the government, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Competent	40%	8%	76%	36%	35%	46%	32%	84%	53%	
No/Not competent	56	91	20	60	64	49	65	12	42	
DK/NA	3	1	4	4	2	5	3	4	5	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE IN YRS.....			
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes/Competent	74%	51%	14%	44%	40%	41%	47%	41%	39%	37%
No/Not competent	22	46	84	52	58	58	48	56	59	59
DK/NA	4	3	2	4	2	1	5	3	2	4

TREND: Do you think that in general the Obama administration has been competent in running the government, or don't you think so?

	Dec 10	Nov 12
	2013	2013
Yes/Competent	40	43
No	56	53
DK/NA	3	3

45. Do you think President Barack Obama is paying enough attention to what his administration is doing, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes/Paying attention	41%	18%	70%	34%	37%	45%	35%	77%	50%
No	52	77	24	58	58	47	58	21	46
DK/NA	6	5	5	8	5	8	7	3	3

	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes/Paying attention	69%	48%	22%	41%	43%	45%	47%	44%	39%	37%
No	27	45	73	51	51	52	44	51	56	55
DK/NA	4	7	5	8	5	3	9	5	6	7

TREND: Do you think President Barack Obama is paying enough attention to what his administration is doing, or don't you think so?

	Dec 10 2013	Nov 12 2013
Yes/Paying attention	41	43
No	52	51
DK/NA	6	6

47. Would you support or oppose raising the national minimum wage, which is now \$7.25 an hour?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Support	69%	49%	91%	67%	62%	75%	65%	90%	76%
Oppose	27	44	8	28	34	20	30	8	21
DK/NA	4	7	1	5	4	4	5	2	3

	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Support	91%	77%	49%	74%	68%	66%	71%	70%	68%	66%
Oppose	8	18	46	23	28	31	25	28	28	26
DK/NA	1	5	5	4	4	3	4	2	4	7

48. (If support q47) Do you think that the minimum wage should be \$10.10 an hour, should be less than \$10.10 an hour, or should be more than \$10.10 an hour?

	SUPPORTS INCREASE Q47.....									
	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Exactly \$10.10	42%	42%	43%	43%	40%	43%	42%	43%	48%	
Less than \$10.10	23	40	14	24	25	21	28	9	13	
More than \$10.10	32	16	40	30	30	33	26	47	37	
DK/NA	3	3	3	4	4	2	3	2	1	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Exactly \$10.10	38%	45%	44%	45%	41%	37%	42%	41%	42%	44%
Less than \$10.10	13	24	32	18	28	26	31	24	20	19
More than \$10.10	46	28	22	34	29	32	25	31	36	33
DK/NA	3	3	2	2	2	4	1	3	2	4

48a. (COMBINED Q47 & Q48) Would you support or oppose raising the national minimum wage, which is now \$7.25 an hour? IF SUPPORT: Do you think that the minimum wage should be \$10.10 an hour, should be less than \$10.10 an hour, or should be more than \$10.10 an hour?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Increase to \$10.10	29%	20%	39%	28%	25%	33%	27%	39%	37%	
Increase < \$10.10	16	20	13	16	16	16	18	8	10	
Increase > \$10.10	22	8	36	20	19	25	17	42	28	
Oppose increase	27	44	8	28	34	20	30	8	21	
DK/NA	6	8	4	7	7	6	7	4	4	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Increase to \$10.10	35%	34%	21%	34%	28%	25%	30%	29%	28%	29%
Increase < \$10.10	12	19	16	14	19	17	22	17	14	13
Increase > \$10.10	42	22	11	25	20	21	18	22	24	22
Oppose increase	8	18	46	23	28	31	25	28	28	26
DK/NA	4	7	6	5	6	5	5	5	5	10

49. Do you think job growth would be curtailed if the minimum wage is raised, or don't you think so?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Yes/Curtailed	43%	52%	32%	46%	46%	41%	44%	43%	43%	
No	48	40	62	45	48	49	47	52	51	
DK/NA	8	8	6	9	6	10	8	6	7	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Yes/Curtailed	26%	40%	56%	42%	45%	42%	47%	44%	46%	38%
No	69	52	36	48	49	54	43	50	48	52
DK/NA	5	9	7	10	6	4	10	6	7	10

54. As you may know, Iran has agreed to limit its nuclear program in exchange for lighter economic sanctions. Do you support or oppose this nuclear deal reached with Iran?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Support	44%	24%	63%	45%	44%	43%	42%	50%	55%	
Oppose	46	68	25	45	49	43	48	37	35	
DK/NA	10	7	11	10	6	13	9	13	10	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY			ANNUAL	HSHOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
	Lib	Mod	Con	<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Support	72%	50%	25%	44%	48%	46%	59%	46%	40%	37%
Oppose	18	40	68	45	44	47	26	46	52	51
DK/NA	10	10	7	12	7	7	15	8	8	12

55. Do you think this deal with Iran will make the United States safer or less safe?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
US Safer	37%	20%	56%	37%	38%	36%	35%	45%	54%	
Less safe	45	68	24	44	47	43	48	33	30	
DK/NA	18	13	20	19	15	21	18	22	15	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY									
	Lib	Mod	Con	ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
				<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
US Safer	64%	43%	18%	37%	40%	40%	55%	39%	34%	28%
Less safe	17	37	66	44	44	44	28	42	51	51
DK/NA	19	19	15	20	16	16	17	20	16	21

56. Do you think this deal with Iran will make Israel safer or less safe?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp	
Israel Safer	29%	14%	46%	28%	31%	27%	26%	38%	46%	
Less safe	52	73	32	52	55	48	55	40	38	
DK/NA	19	13	22	20	14	25	19	22	16	
	POLITICAL PHILSPHY									
	Lib	Mod	Con	ANNUAL	HSOLD	INC	AGE	IN	YRS.....	
				<50K	50-100	>100K	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Israel Safer	53%	33%	14%	30%	29%	33%	44%	28%	29%	22%
Less safe	25	47	71	50	52	52	33	53	55	57
DK/NA	22	20	15	20	19	15	23	19	16	21