



AmericasBarometer: United States, 2010

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BLS3. To begin, in general how satisfied are you with your life? Would you say that you are...
[Read options]
 (1) Very satisfied (2) Somewhat satisfied (3) Somewhat dissatisfied
 (4) Very dissatisfied (88) Doesn't know (98) Doesn't Answer

XA4. In your opinion, what is **the most serious** problem faced by the country? **[DO NOT READ THE RESPONSE OPTIONS; ONLY A SINGLE OPTION]**

Water, lack of	19	Impunity	61
Roads in poor condition	18	Inflation, high prices	02
Armed conflict	30	Politicians	59
Corruption	13	Bad government	15
Credit, lack of	09	Environment	10
Delinquency, crime	05	Migration	16
Human rights, violations of	56	Drug trafficking	12
Unemployment	03	Gangs	14
Inequality	58	Poverty	04
Malnutrition	23	Popular protests (strikes, road blockages, work stoppages, etc.)	06
Forced displacement of persons	32	Health services, lack of	22
External debt	26	Kidnappings	31
Discrimination	25	Security (lack of)	27
Drug addiction	11	Terrorism	33
Economy, problems with, crisis of	01	Land to farm, lack of	07
Education, lack of, poor quality	21	Transportation, problems of	60
Electricity, lack of	24	Violence	57
Population explosion	20	Housing	55
War against terrorism	17	Other	70
Doesn't know	88	Doesn't answer	98

BSOCT1. How would you describe **the country's** economic situation? Would you say that it is very good, good, neither good nor bad, bad or very bad?
 (1) Very good (2) Good (3) Neither good nor bad (fair) (4) Bad
 (5) Very bad (88) Doesn't know (98) Doesn't Answer

BSOCT2. Do you think that the country's current economic situation is better than, the same as or worse than it was 12 months ago? (1) Better (2) Same (3) Worse (88) Doesn't know (98) Doesn't Answer	
BSOCT3. Do you think that in 12 months the economic situation of the country will be better, the same or worse than it is now? (1) Better (2) Same (3) Worse (88) Doesn't know (98) Doesn't answer	
BIDIO1. How would you describe your overall economic situation? Would you say that it is very good, good, neither good nor bad, bad or very bad? (1) Very good (2) Good (3) Neither good nor bad (fair) (4) Bad (5) Very bad (88) Don't know (98) Doesn't answer	
BIDIO2. Do you think that your economic situation is better than, the same as, or worse than it was 12 months ago? (1) Better (2) Same (3) Worse (88) Doesn't know (98) Doesn't Answer	
BIDIO3. Do you think that in 12 months your economic situation will be better than, the same as, or worse than it is now? (1) Better (2) Same (3) Worse (88) Doesn't know (98) Doesn't Answer	

Now, moving on to a different subject, sometimes people and communities have problems that they cannot solve by themselves, and so in order to solve them they request help from a government official or agency.					
X In order to solve your problems have you ever requested help or cooperation from...? [Read the options and mark the response]	Yes	No	DK	DA	
XCP2. A member of Congress	1	2	88	98	
XCP4A. A local public official or local government (for example, a mayor, municipal council, councilman, civil governor or governor).	1	2	8	98	
XCP4. Any ministry or minister (federal), state agency or public agency or institution, state agency or public agency or institution	1	2	8	98	

Now let's talk about your local government...	
XNP1. Have you attended a town meeting, city council meeting or other meeting in the past 12 months? (1) Yes (2) No (88) Doesn't know (98) Doesn't answer	
XNP2. Have you sought assistance from or presented a request to any office, official or councilperson of the local government within the past 12 months? (1) Yes [Continue] (2) No [Go to SGL1] (88) Doesn't know [Go to SGL1] (98) Doesn't answer [Go to SGL1]	
XMUNI10. Did they resolve your issue or request? (1) Yes (0) No (88) DK (98) DA (99) N/A	
XSGL1. Would you say that the services the municipality is providing to the people are...? [Read options] (1) Very good (2) Good (3) Neither good nor bad (fair) (4) Bad (5) Very bad (88) Doesn't know (98) Doesn't answer	

	Once a week	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a year	Never	DK	DA	
XCP5. Now, changing the subject. In the last 12 months have you tried to help to solve a problem in your community or in your neighborhood? Please, tell me if you did it at least once a week, once or twice a month, once or twice a year or never in last 12 months.	1	2	3	4	88	98	
I am going to read a list of groups and organizations. Please tell me if you attend their meetings at least once a week, once or twice a month, once or twice a year, or never. [Repeat for each question “once a week,” “once or twice a month,” “once or twice a year” or “never” to help the respondent]							
	Once a week	Once or twice a month	Once or twice a year	Never	DK	DA	
BCP6. Meetings of any religious organization? Do you attend them...	1	2	3	4	88	98	
XCP7. Meetings of a parents' association at school? Do you attend them...	1	2	3	4	88	98	
BCP8. Meetings of a community improvement committee or association? Do you attend them...	1	2	3	4	88	98	
XCP9. Meetings of an association of professionals, merchants, manufacturers or farmers? Do you attend them...	1	2	3	4	88	98	
XCP13. Meetings of a political party or political organization? Do you attend them...	1	2	3	4	88	98	
XCP20. [Women only] Meetings of associations or groups of women or home makers. Do you attend them...	1	2	3	4	88	DA 98	N/A 99

B[GIVE CARD "A"]

LS6. On this card there is a ladder with steps numbered 0 to 10. 0 is the lowest step and represents the worst life possible for you. 10 is the highest step and represents the best life possible for you.

On what step of the ladder do you feel **at this moment**? **Please choose the ladder that represents best your opinion.**

[Point out the number on the card that represents "the worst life possible" and the number that represents "the best life possible". Indicate to the interviewee that he/she can choose an intermediate score].

0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	88	98
Worst life possible						Best life possible					DK	DA

BLS6A. On which step would you say you stood two years ago, that is to say in 2008?

[TAKE BACK CARD "A"]

BIT1. Now, speaking of the people from around here, would you say that people in this community are very trustworthy, somewhat trustworthy, not very trustworthy or untrustworthy...? **[Read options]**

- (1) Very trustworthy (2) Somewhat trustworthy (3) Not very trustworthy
- (4) Untrustworthy (88) DK (98)DA

[Give Card "B"]

BL1B. [United States, Canada, Guyana, Jamaica, and Haiti] (Liberal-Conservative Scale) Now, to change the subject.... On this card there is a 1-10 scale that goes from liberal to conservative. One means liberal and 10 means conservative. Nowadays, when we speak of political leanings, we talk of liberals and conservatives. In other words, some people sympathize more with the liberals and others with the conservatives. According to the meaning that the terms "liberals" and "conservatives" have for you, and thinking of your own political leanings, where would you place yourself on this scale?

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	DK 88	DK 98
Liberal										Conservative	

[Take back Card "B"]

B.PROT3. In the last 12 months, have you participated in a demonstration or protest march?
(1) Yes **[Continue]** (2) No **[Go to JC1]** (88) DK**[Go to JC1]** (98)DA **[Go to JC1]**

Now, changing the subject. Some people say that under some circumstances it would be justified for the military of this country to take power by a coup d'état (military coup). In your opinion would a military coup be justified under the following circumstances? **[Read the options after each question]:**

YJC1. When there is high unemployment.	(1) A military take-over of the state would be justified	(2) A military take-over of the state would not be justified	(88) DK	(98) DA
YJC10. When there is a lot of crime.	(1) A military take-over of the state would be justified	(2) A military take-over of the state would not be justified	(88) DK	(98) DA
YJC13. When there is a lot of corruption.	(1) A military take-over of the state would be justified	(2) A military take-over of the state would not be justified	(88) DK	(98) DA

YJC15A. Do you believe that when the country is facing very difficult times it is justifiable for the president of the country to close the Congress and govern without Congress?	(1) Yes, it is justified	(2) No, it is not justified	(88) DK	(98) DA
YJC16A. Do you believe that when the country is facing very difficult times it is justifiable for the president of the country to dissolve the Supreme Court and govern without the Supreme Court?	(1) Yes, it is justified	(2) No, it is not justified	(88) DK	(98) DA

BVIC1EXT. Now, changing the subject, have you been a victim of any type of crime in the past 12 months? That is, have you been a victim of robbery, burglary, assault, fraud, blackmail, extortion, violent threats or any other type of crime in the past 12 months? (1) Yes [Continue] (2) No [Skip toVIC1HOGAR] (88) DK [Skip toVIC1HOGAR]] (98)DA [Skip toVIC1HOGAR]	
BVIC1EXTA. How many times have you been a crime victim during the last 12 months? ____ [fill in number] (88) DK (98) DA (99) N/A	

<p>YVIC2. Thinking of that the last crime of which you were a victim, from the list I am going to read to you, what kind of crime was it? [Read the options]</p> <p>(01) Unarmed robbery, no assault or physical threats (02) Unarmed robbery with assault or physical threats (03) Armed robbery (04) Assault but not robbery (05) Rape or sexual assault (06) Kidnapping (07) Vandalism (08) Burglary of your home (10) Extortion (11) Other (88) DK (98)DA (99) N/A (was not a victim)</p>	
<p>YVIC2AA. ¿Could you tell me, in what place that last crime occurred?[Read options]</p> <p>(1) In your home (2) In this neighborhood (3) In this municipality (4) In another municipality (5) In another country (88) DK (98)DA (99) N/A</p>	
<p>BVIC1HOGAR. Has any other person living in your household been a victim of any type of crime in the past 12 months? That is, has any other person living in your household been a victim of robbery, burglary, assault, fraud, blackmail, extortion, violent threats or any other type of crime in the past 12 months?</p> <p>(1) Yes (2) No (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>YAOJ8. In order to catch criminals, do you believe that the authorities should always abide by the law or that occasionally they can cross the line?</p> <p>(1) Should always abide by the law (2) Occasionally can cross the line (88)DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>YAOJ11. Speaking of the neighborhood where you live and thinking of the possibility of being assaulted or robbed, do you feel very safe, somewhat safe, somewhat unsafe or very unsafe?</p> <p>(1) Very safe (2) Somewhat safe (3) Somewhat unsafe (4) Very unsafe (88) DK (98)DR</p>	
<p>YAOJ11A. And speaking of the country in general, how much do you think that the level of crime that we have now represents a threat to our future well-being? [Read the options]</p> <p>(1) Very much (2) Somewhat (3) Little (4) None (88) DK (98)DA</p>	
<p>YAOJ12. If you were a victim of a robbery or assault how much faith do you have that the judicial system would punish the guilty? [Read the options]</p> <p>(1) A lot (2) Some (3) Little (4) None (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>YAOJ17. To what extent do you think your neighborhood is affected by gangs? Would you say a lot, somewhat, a little or none?</p> <p>(1) A lot (2) Somewhat (3) Little (4) None (88) DK (98) DA</p>	

[GIVE CARD "C" TO THE RESPONDENT]

On this card there is a ladder with steps numbered 1 to 7, where 1 is the lowest step and means NOT AT ALL and 7 the highest and means A LOT. For example, if I asked you to what extent do you like watching television, if you don't like watching it at all, you would choose a score of 1, and if, in contrast, you like watching television a lot, you would indicate the number 7 to me. If your opinion is between not at all and a lot, you would choose an intermediate score. So, to what extent do you like watching television? Read me the number. **[Make sure that the respondent understands correctly].**

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	88	98
Not at all						A lot	Doesn't know	Doesn't Answer

Note down a number 1-7, or 88 DK and 98 DA

I am going to ask you a series of questions. I am going to ask you that you use the numbers provided in the ladder to answer. Remember, you can use any number.

B1. To what extent do you think the courts in the United States guarantee a fair trial? (Read: If you think the courts do not ensure justice at all, choose number 1; if you think the courts ensure justice a lot, choose number 7 or choose a point in between the two.)

B2. To what extent do you respect the political institutions of the United States?

B3. To what extent do you think that citizens' basic rights are well protected by the political system of the United States?

B4. To what extent do you feel proud of living under the political system of the United States?

B6. To what extent do you think that one should support the political system of the United States?

B10A. To what extent do you trust the justice system?

B12. To what extent do you trust the Armed Forces?

B13. To what extent do you trust the U.S. Congress?

B14. To what extent do you trust the government in Washington?

B18. To what extent do you trust the Police?

B21. To what extent do you trust the political parties?

B21A. To what extent do you trust the President?

B31. To what extent do you trust the Supreme Court?

B32. To what extent do you trust your local or municipal government?

B43. To what extent are you proud of being an American?

B37. To what extent do you trust the mass media?

Now, using the same ladder, **[continue with card C: 1-7 point scale]**
NOT ALL 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 A LOT

**Note down 1-7,
 88 = DK 98=DA**

XN1. To what extent would you say the current administration fights poverty?

XN3. To what extent would you say the current administration promotes and protects democratic principles?

XN9. To what extent would you say the current administration combats government corruption?

XN11. To what extent would you say the current administration improves citizen safety?

Now, using the same ladder, **[continue with card C: 1-7 point scale]**
NOT ALL 1 2 3 4 5 6 7 A LOT **Note down 1-7, 88 = DK 98=DA**

XN12. To what extent would you say the current administration combats unemployment?

XN15. To what extent would you say that the current administration is managing the economy well?

[Take Back Card C]

BWT1. How worried are you that there will be a violent attack by terrorists in The United States in the next 12 months? Are you very, somewhat, a little, or not at all worried, or would you say that you have not thought much about this?
 (1) Very worried (2) Somewhat worried (3) A little worried (4) Not at all worried
 (5) Haven't thought much about this (88) DK (98) DA

BWT2. How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of a violent attack by terrorists? Are you very, somewhat, a little, or not at all worried, or would you say that you have not thought much about this?
 (1) Very worried (2) Somewhat worried (3) A little worried (4) Not at all worried
 (5) Haven't thought much about this (88) DK (98) DA

BM1. Speaking in general of the current administration, how would you rate the job performance of President Barack Obama? **[Read the options]**
 (1) Very good (2) Good (3) Neither good nor bad (fair) (4) Bad
 (5) Very bad (88) DK (98)DA

[GIVE CARD "D"]: Now we will use a similar ladder, but this time 1 means "strongly disagree" and 7 means "strongly agree." A number in between 1 and 7 represents an intermediate score.

Write a number 1-7, or 88 = Doesn't Know, 98 = Doesn't Answer

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	88	98	
Strongly disagree						Strongly agree		Doesn't know	Doesn't answer

Note down 1-7, 88 = DK 98=DA

Taking into account the current situation of this country, and using that card, I would like you to tell me how much you agree or disagree with the following statements

YPOP101. It is necessary for the progress of this country that our presidents limit the voice and vote of opposition parties, how much do you agree or disagree with that view? (88) DK (98)DA

YPOP102. When the Congress hinders the work of our government, our presidents should govern without the Congress. How much do you agree or disagree with that view? (88) DK (98)DA

YPOP103. When the Supreme Court blocks the work of our government, the Supreme Court should be disregarded by our presidents. How much do you agree or disagree with that view? (88) DK (98)DA

YPOP107. The people should govern directly **rather than** through elected representatives. How much do you agree or disagree? (88) DK (98)DA

YPOP113. Those who disagree with the majority represent a threat to the country. How much do you agree or disagree with that view? (88) DK (98)DA

We continue using the same ladder. Please, could you tell me how much you agree or disagree with the following statements?

XEFF1. Those who govern this country are interested in what people like you think. How much do you agree or disagree with this statement?	
XEFF2. You feel that you understand the most important political issues of this country. How much do you agree or disagree with this statement?	

Write a number 1-7, or 88=DK and 98=DA

BING4. Democracy may have problems, but it is better than any other form of government. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?	
XDEM23. Democracy can exist without political parties. How much do you agree or disagree with this statement?	

Now I am going to read some items about the role of the national government. Please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statements. We will continue using the same ladder from 1 to 7. **(88) DK (98)DA**

BROS1. The United States government, instead of the private sector, should own the most important enterprises and industries of the country. How much do you agree or disagree with this statement?	
BROS2. The United States government, more than individuals, should be primarily responsible for ensuring the well-being of the people. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?	
BROS3. The United States government, more than the private sector, should be primarily responsible for creating jobs. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?	
BROS4. The United States government should implement strong policies to reduce income inequality between the rich and the poor. To what extent do you agree or disagree with this statement?	
BROS5. The United States government, more than the private sector, should be primarily responsible for providing retirement pensions. How much do you agree or disagree with this statement?	
BROS6. The United States government, more than the private sector should be primarily responsible for providing health care services. How much do you agree or disagree with this statement?	

[TAKE BACK CARD "D"]

BPN4. In general, would you say that you are very satisfied, satisfied, dissatisfied or very dissatisfied with the way democracy works in the United States? (1) Very satisfied (2) Satisfied (3) Dissatisfied (4) Very dissatisfied (88) DK (98)DA	
XPN5. In your opinion, is the United States very democratic, somewhat democratic, not very democratic or not at all democratic? (1) Very democratic (2) Somewhat democratic (3) Not very democratic (4) Not at all democratic (88) DK (98)DA	

[Give the respondent card "E"]

Now we are going to use another card. The new card has a 10-point ladder, which goes from 1 to 10, where 1 means that you strongly disapprove and 10 means that you strongly approve. I am going to read you a list of some actions that people can take to achieve their political goals and objectives. Please tell me how strongly you would approve or disapprove of people taking the following actions.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	88 Doesn't know	98 Doesn't Answer
Strongly disapprove							Strongly approve				

	1-10, 88=DK, 98=DA
XE5. Of people participating in legal demonstrations. How much do you approve or disapprove?	
XE8. Of people participating in an organization or group to try to solve community problems. How much do you approve or disapprove?	
XE11. Of people working for campaigns for a political party or candidate. How much do you approve or disapprove?	
XE15. Of people participating in the blocking of roads to protest. Using the same scale, how much do you approve or disapprove?	
E14. Of people seizing private property or land in order to protest. How much do you approve or disapprove?	
BE3. Of people participating in a group working to violently overthrow an elected government. How much do you approve or disapprove?	
XE16. Of people taking the law into their own hands when the government does not punish criminals. How much do you approve or disapprove?	

[Don't take back card "E"]

The following questions are to find out about the different idea of the people who live in the United States. Please continue using the 10 point ladder.

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	88 Doesn't know	98 Doesn't Answer
Strongly disapprove							Strongly approve				

	1-10, 88=DK, 98=DA
BD1. There are people who only say bad things about the United States form of government, not just the incumbent government but the system of government. How strongly do you approve or disapprove of such people's right to vote ? Please read me the number from the scale: <i>[Probe: To what degree?]</i>	
BD2. How strongly do you approve or disapprove that such people be allowed to conduct peaceful demonstrations in order to express their views? Please read me the number.	

BD3. Still thinking of those who only say bad things about the United States form of government, how strongly do you approve or disapprove of such people being permitted to run for public office ?	
BD4. How strongly do you approve or disapprove of such people appearing on television to make speeches ?	
BD5. And now, changing the topic and thinking of homosexuals, how strongly do you approve or disapprove of such people being permitted to run for public office ?	
BD6. How strongly do you approve or disapprove of same-sex couples having the right to marry?	

[Take back card “E”]

Now changing the subject...

BDEM2. Which of the following statements do you agree with the most: (1) For people like me it doesn't matter whether a government is democratic or non-democratic, OR (2) Democracy is preferable to any other form of government, OR (3) Under some circumstances an authoritarian government may be preferable to a democratic one. (88) DK (98)DA	
YDEM11. Do you think that our country needs a government with an iron fist, or that problems can be resolved with everyone's participation? (1) Iron fist (2) Everyone's participation (88) DK (98)DA	

YAUT1. There are people who say that we need a strong leader who does not have to be elected by the vote of the people. Others say that although things may not work, electoral democracy, or the popular vote, is always best. What do you think? [Read the options] (1) We need a strong leader who does not have to be elected (2) Electoral democracy is the best (88) DK (98)DA	
YPP1. During election times, some people try to persuade others to vote for a party or candidate. How often have you tried to convince others to vote for a party or candidate? [Read the options] (1) Frequently (2) Occasionally (3) Rarely (4) Never (88) DK (98)DA	
YPP2. There are people who work for parties or candidates during electoral campaigns. Did you work for any candidate or party in the last presidential elections of 2008? (1) Yes, worked (2) Did not work (88) DK (98)DA	

	N/A Did not try or did not have contact	No	Yes	DK	DA
Now we want to talk about your personal experience with things that happen in everyday life...					
BEXC2. Has a police officer asked you for a bribe in the last twelve months?		0	1	88	98
BEXC6. In the last twelve months, did any government employee ask you for a bribe?		0	1	88	98

	N/A Did not try or did not have contact	No	Yes	DK	DA	
YEXC11. In the last twelve months, did you have any official dealings in the municipality/local government? If the answer is No → mark 99 If it is Yes→ ask the following: In the last twelve months, to process any kind of document in your municipal government, like a permit for example, did you have to pay any money above that required by law?	99	0	1	88	98	
YEXC13. Are you currently employed for pay, either full or part time? If the answer is No → mark 99 If it is Yes→ ask the following: In your work, have you been asked to pay a bribe in the last twelve months?	99	0	1	88	98	
YEXC14. In the last twelve months, have you had any dealings with the courts? If the answer is No → mark 99 If it is Yes→ ask the following: Did you have to pay a bribe to the courts in the last twelve months?	99	0	1	88	98	
YEXC15. Have you used any public health services in the last twelve months? If the answer is No → mark 99 If it is Yes→ ask the following: In order to be seen in a hospital or a clinic in the last twelve months, did you have to pay a bribe?	99	0	1	88	98	
YEXC16. Have you had a child in school in the last twelve months? If the answer is No → mark 99 If it is Yes→ ask the following: Have you had to pay a bribe at school in the last twelve months?	99	0	1	88	98	
YEXC18. Do you think given the way things are, sometimes paying a bribe is justified?		0	1	88	98	

BEXC7. Taking into account your own experience or what you have heard, corruption among public officials is [Read] (1) Very common (2) Common (3) Uncommon or (4) Very uncommon? (88) DK (98) DA	
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[Give card "D" again]: Here are a series of personality traits that may or may not apply to you. Using the 1-7 ladder, where 1 means "strongly disagree" and 7 means "strongly agree," please tell me the number that indicates the extent to which you agree or disagree with that statement. You should rate the extent to which the pair of traits applies to you, even if one characteristic applies more strongly than the other.

Write a number 1-7, or 88=DK AND 98=DA

1	2	3	4	5	6	7	88	98	
Strongly disagree						Strongly agree		Doesn't know	Doesn't answer

You see yourself as a:

BPER1. Sociable and active person.

BPER2. Critical and quarrelsome person.

BPER3. Dependable and self-disciplined person.

BPER4. Anxious and easily upset person.

BPER5. Open to new experiences and intellectual person.

BPER6. Quiet and shy person.

BPER7. Generous and warm person.

BPER8. Disorganized and careless person.

BPER9. Calm and emotionally stable person.

BPER10. Uncreative and unimaginative person.

[Take back Card "D"]

BCRISIS1. Some say that our country is suffering a very serious economic crisis; others say that we are suffering a crisis but it is not very serious, while others say that there isn't any economic crisis. What do you think? **[Read options]**

- (1) We are suffering a very serious economic crisis
- (2) We are suffering a crisis but it is not very serious, or
- (3) No economic crisis **[Go to VB1]**
- (88) DK **[Go to VB1]** (98) DA **[Go to VB1]**

BCRISIS2. Who is the most to blame for the current economic crisis in our country from among the following: **[READ LIST, MARK ONLY ONE RESPONSE]**

- (01) The previous administration
- (02) The current administration
- (03) Ourselves, we Americans
- (04) The rich people of our country
- (05) The problems of democracy
- (06) The rich countries **[Accept also Unites States, England, France, Germany, and Japan]**
- (07) The economic system of the country, or
- (08) Never have thought about it
- (77) **[Don't read]** Other
- (88) **[Don't read]** DK (98) **[Don't read]** DR (99) N/A

XVB1. Are you registered to vote?

- (1) Yes (2) No (3) Being processed (88) DK (98) DA

BVB2. Did you vote in the last **presidential elections** of 2008?

<p>(1) Voted [Continue] (2) Did not vote [Go to VB10] (88) DK[Go to VB10] (98) DA[Go to VB10]</p>	
<p>BVB3. Who did you vote for in the last presidential elections of 2008? [DON'T READ THE LIST] (00) none (Blank ballot or spoiled or null ballot) (US01) Obama (US02) McCain (77) Other (88) DK (98) DA (99) INAP (Did not vote)</p>	
<p>BVB10. Do you currently identify with a political party? (1) Yes [Continue] (2) No [Go to POL1] (88) DK [Skip to POL1] (98) DA[Skip to POL1]</p>	
<p>BVB11. Which political party do you identify with? [DON'T READ THE LIST] (US01) Democratic Party (US02) Republican Party (US03) Other (88) DK (98) DA (99) NA</p>	
<p>BPOL1. How much interest do you have in politics: a lot, some, little or none? (1) A lot (2) Some (3) Little (4) None (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>YCLIEN1. In recent years and thinking about election campaigns, has a candidate or someone from a political party offered you something, like a favor, food, or any other benefit or object in return for your vote or support? Has this happened often, sometimes or never? (1) Often [Continue with CLIEN2] (2) Sometimes [Continue with CLIEN2] (3) Never [Skip to ED] (88) DK[Skip to ED] (98) DA [Skip to ED]</p>	
<p>YCLIEN2. And thinking of the last time this happened; did what they offer make you more likely or less likely to vote for the candidate or party that offered you those goods? (1) More likely (2) Less likely (3) Equally likely (88) DK (98) DA (99) N/A</p>	
<p>[Ask all respondents 25 years of age or younger] XHAICR1. Could you tell me, what is your main source of information about the country's situation? [Don't read options, only mark one answer] (01) TV (02) Newspaper (03) Radio (04) Church (05) Community center (06) School (07) Family members (08) Coworkers or school colleagues (09) Friends (10) Neighbors (11) Internet outlets (excluding newspapers)</p>	

(88) DK (98) DA (99) N/A	
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<p>XQ3C. What is your religion, if any? [Do not read options]</p> <p>[If the respondent says that he/she has no religion, probe to see if he/she should be located in option 4 or 11](1) Catholic</p> <p>(2) Protestant, Mainline Protestant or Protestant non-Evangelical (Christian; Calvinist; Lutheran; Methodist; Presbyterian; Disciple of Christ; Anglican; Episcopalian; Moravian).</p> <p>(3) Non-Christian Eastern Religions (Islam; Buddhist; Hinduism; Taoist; Confucianism; Baha'i).</p> <p>(4) None (Believes in a Supreme Entity but does not belong to any religion)</p> <p>(5) Evangelical and Pentecostal (Evangelical; Pentecostals; Church of God; Assemblies of God; Universal Church of the Kingdom of God; International Church of the Foursquare Gospel; Christ Pentecostal Church; Christian Congregation; Mennonite; Brethren; Christian Reformed Church; Charismatic non-Catholic; Light of World; Baptist; Nazarene; Salvation Army; Adventist; Seventh-Day Adventist; Sara Nossa Terra).</p> <p>(6) LDS (Mormon).</p> <p>(7) Traditional Religions or Native Religions (Candomblé, Voodoo, Rastafarian, Mayan Traditional Religion; Umbanda; Maria Lonza; Inti; Kardecista, Santo Daime, Esoterica).</p> <p>(10) Jewish (Orthodox; Conservative; Reform).</p> <p>(11) Agnostic, atheist (Does not believe in God).</p> <p>(12) Jehovah's Witness.</p> <p>(88) DK (98) DA</p>	
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<p>BQ5B. Please, could you tell me how important is religion in your life? [Read options]</p> <p>(1) Very important (2) Rather important (3) Not very important (4) Not at all important</p> <p>(88) DK (98) DA</p>	
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<p>[GIVE CARD "F"]</p> <p>BQ10. What is the total take-home monthly income of this household, including income from abroad and the income of all the working adults and children?</p> <p>[If the interviewee does not get it, ask: "Which is the total monthly income in your household?]</p> <p>[10 deciles based on the currency and distribution of the country]</p> <p>(00) No income</p> <p>(01) \$1,000 or less</p> <p>(02) \$1,001 - \$1,900</p> <p>(03) \$1,901 - \$2,700</p> <p>(04) \$2,701 - \$3,600</p> <p>(05) \$3,601 - \$4,600</p> <p>(06) \$4,601 - \$5,700</p> <p>(07) \$5,701 - \$7,000</p> <p>(08) \$7,001 - \$8,800</p> <p>(09) \$8,801 - \$12,000</p> <p>(10) \$12,001 or more</p> <p>(88) DK (98) DA</p> <p>[TAKE BACK CARD "F"]</p>	
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<p>BQ10D. The salary that you receive and total household income: [Read the options]</p> <p>(1) Is good enough for you and you can save from it</p> <p>(2) Is just enough for you, so that you do not have major problems</p> <p>(3) Is not enough for you and you are stretched</p> <p>(4) Is not enough for you and you are having a hard time</p> <p>(88) [Don't read] DK (98) [Don't read] DA</p>	
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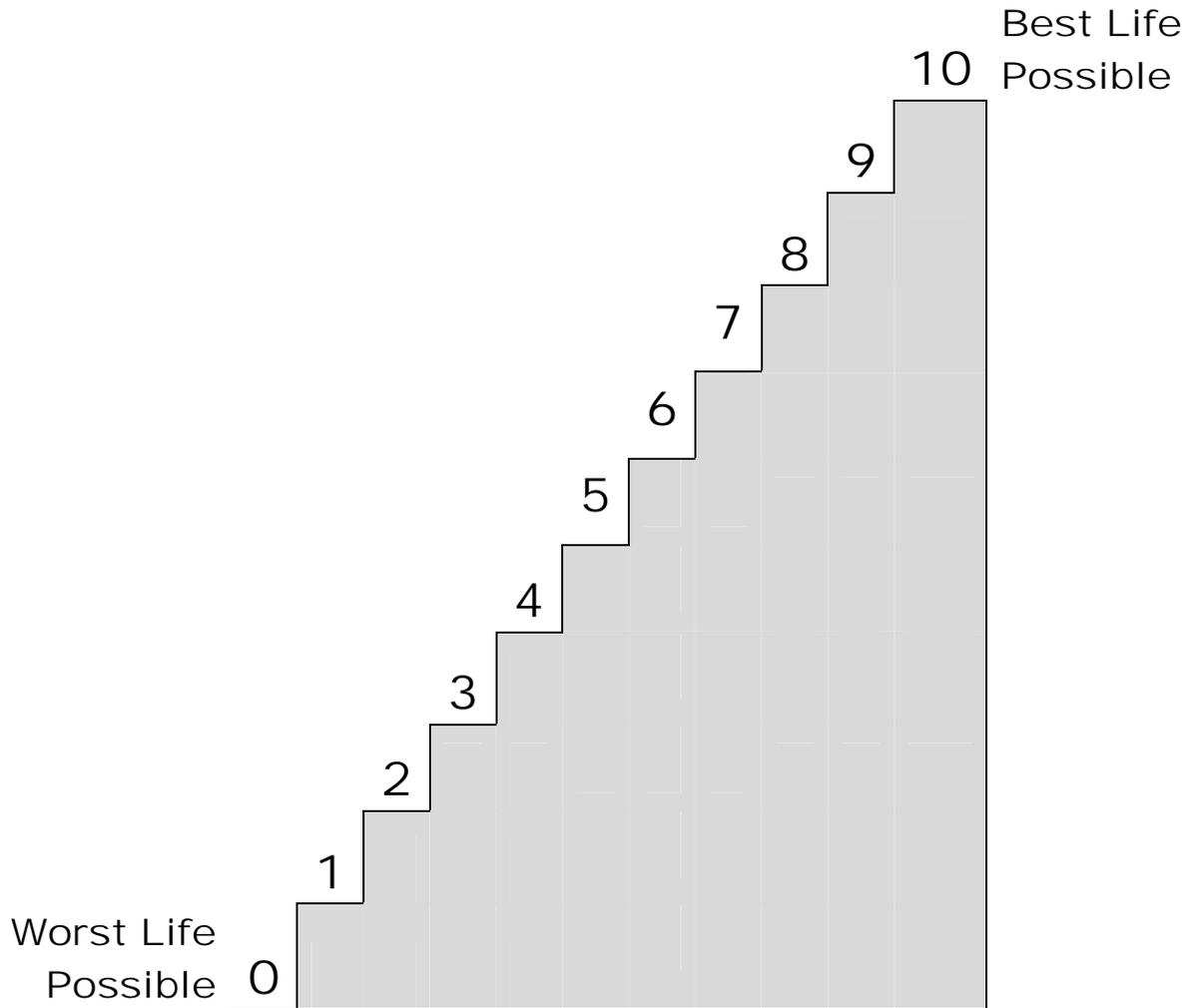
<p>BQ10E. Over the past two years, has the income of your household: [Read options]</p> <p>(1) Increased? [Go to Q11] (2) Remained the same? [Go to Q11] (3) Decreased? [Go to Q10F] (88) DK[Go to Q11] (98) DA [Go to Q11]</p>	
<p>BQ10F. What was the main reason why the income of your household decreased in the past two years? [Do not read options]</p> <p>(1) Reduction in hours of work or salary (2) A member of the household lost his or her job (3) Reduction in sales/Business not good (4) A family business went into bankruptcy (5) Income from abroad decreased or stopped (6) A member of the household who received income was sick, died, or left the household (7) Natural disaster /lost of crops (9) Everything is more expensive/income is not enough (8) Other (88) DK (98) DA (99) N/A (“increased”, “remained the same” or DK/DR in Q10E)</p>	
<p>BQ11. What is your marital status? [Don’t read options]</p> <p>(1) Single (2) Married (3) Common law marriage (4) Divorced (5) Separated (6) Widowed (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>BQ12. Do you have children? How many children do you have? _____ (00 = none → Skip to ETID) (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>BQ12A. [If has children] How many children live with you at the present time? _____ (00) = none (88) DK (98) DA (99) N/A (doesn’t have children).</p>	
<p>BETID. What racial or ethnic group best describes you?</p> <p>(1) White (2) Black or African American (3) Hispanic or Latino (4) Asian or Asian American (5) Native American (6) Mixed race (7) Other (8) Middle Eastern (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>For statistical purposes, we would like to know how much information about politics and the country is known by the people...</p>	
<p>BGI0. About how often do you pay attention to the news, whether on TV, the radio, newspapers or the internet? [Read alternatives]:</p> <p>(1) Daily (2) A few times a week (3) A few times a month (4) Rarely (5) Never (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>BGI1. What is the name of the current vice president of the United States? [Don’t read: Barack Obama, accept “Obama”]</p> <p>(1) Correct (2) Incorrect (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>BGI3. How many states does the United States have? [Don’t read: insert number of provinces]</p> <p>(1) Correct (2) Incorrect (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>BGI4. How many years is the presidential term of office in the United States? [Don’t read: 4]</p> <p>(1) Correct (2) Incorrect (88) DK (98) DA</p>	

<p>BOCUP1B1. Have you lost your job in the past two years? [Read options]</p> <p>(1) Yes, you lost your job but found a new one. (2) Yes, you lost your job and have not found a new one (3) No, did not lose your job (4) Did not work because you decided not to work or disabilities (88) DK (98) DA</p>	
<p>BOCUP1B2. Besides you, has anyone in your household lost his or her job in the past two years? [Read options]</p> <p>(1) Yes (2) No (88) DK (98) DA</p>	

These are all the questions I have. Thank you very much for your cooperation.

Card "A"

On what step of the ladder do you feel at this moment?

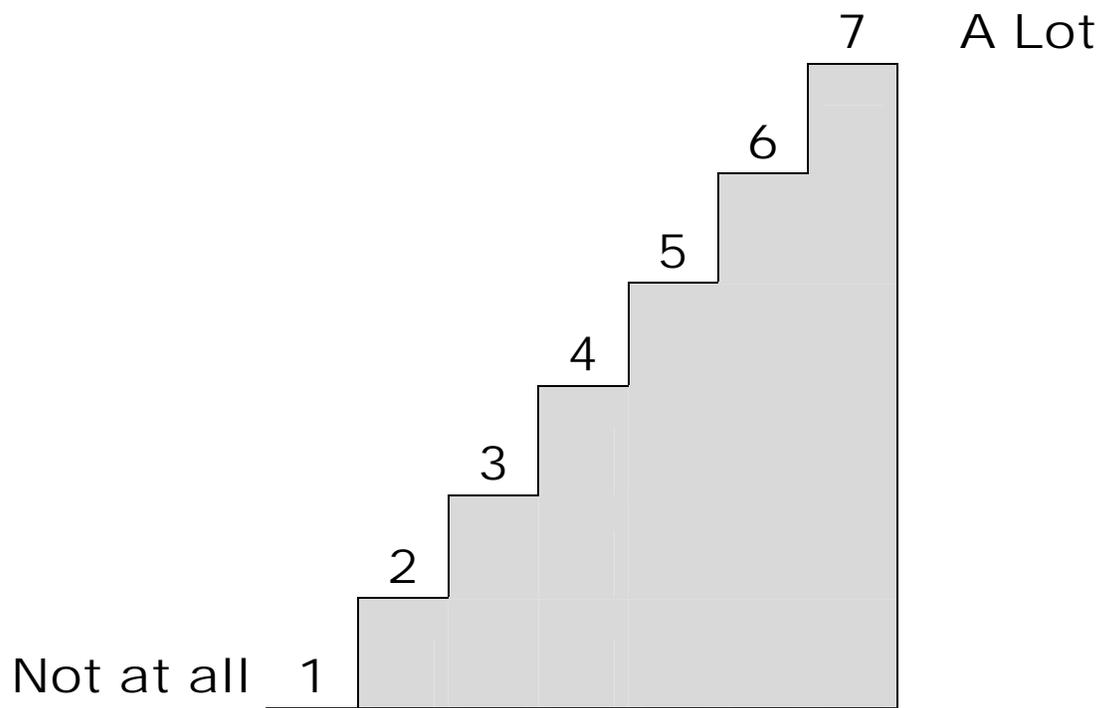


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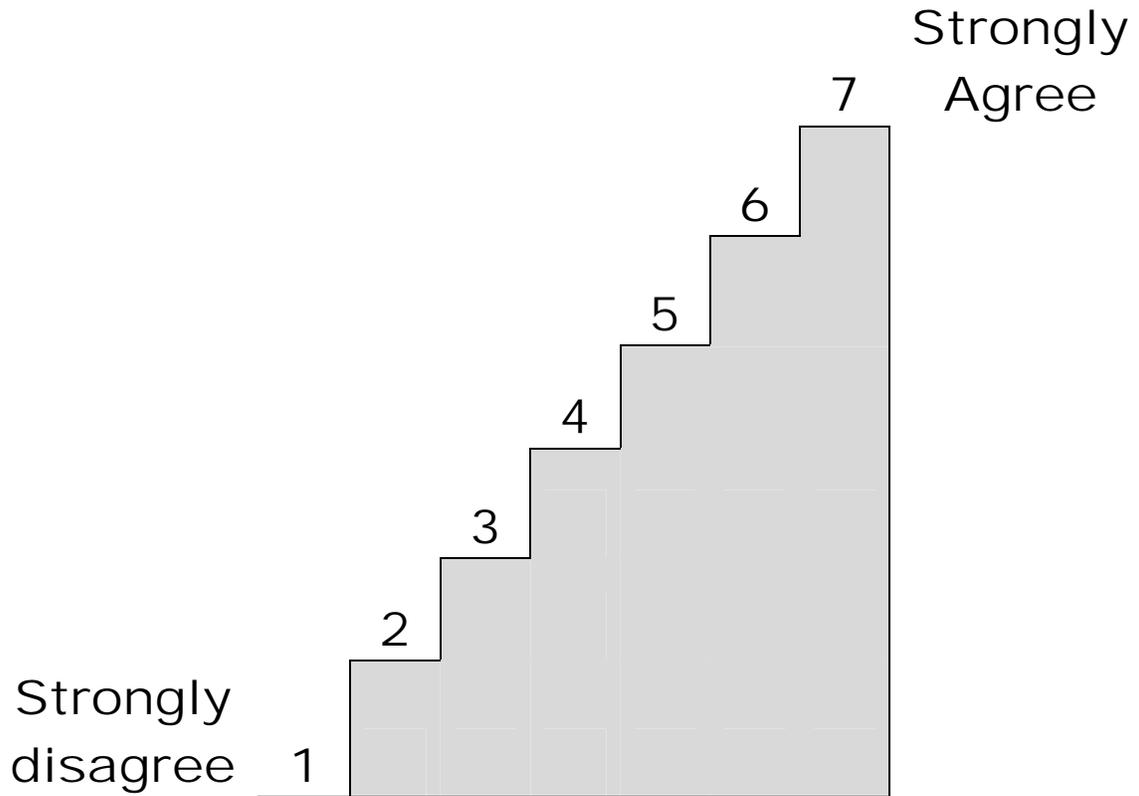
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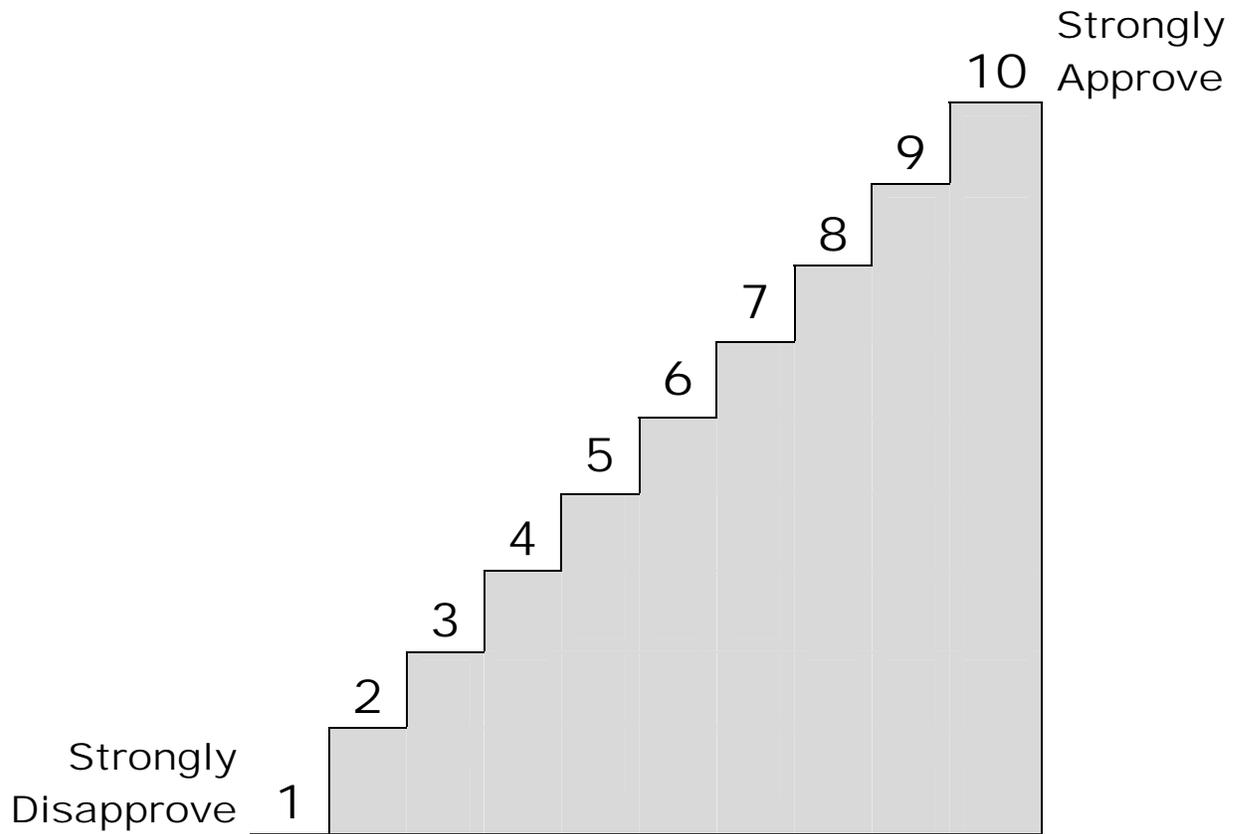
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Card "D"



Card "E"



Card "F"

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