Exit Poll for House Race Sample Size: **17504** 

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#### Are you:

House Vote Democrat House Vote Republic
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Male (47%)	42%	56%
Female (53%)	48%	49%

#### Are you:

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
White (78%)	37%	60%
Black (10%)	90%	9%
Hispanic/Latino (8%)	64%	34%
Asian (1%)	56%	40%
Other (2%)	53%	43%

#### Sex by race

### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

White men (37%)	35%	63%
White women (41%)	40%	58%
Black men (4%)	85%	14%
Black women (6%)	93%	6%
Latino men (4%)	60%	38%
Latino women (4%)	68%	30%
All other races (4%)	55%	42%

# Age, four categories

18-29 (11%)	57%	40%
30-44 (23%)	47%	50%
45-64 (44%)	45%	53%
65+(23%)	38%	59%

# Age-65

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

18-24 (5%)	58%	39%
25-29 (6%)	56%	42%
30-39 (14%)	48%	49%
40-49 (19%)	44%	54%
50-64 (34%)	46%	52%
65 or over (23%)	38%	59%

# 2009 total family income:

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
Under \$30,000 (18%)	56%	41%
\$30,000 - \$49,999 (19%)	51%	46%
\$50,000 - \$74,999 (22%)	46%	52%
\$75,000 - \$99,999 (15%)	42%	56%
\$100,000 - \$199,999 (19%)	42%	56%
\$200,000 or more (7%)	35%	62%

# Total family income:

# House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

Less than \$50,000 (37%)	53%	44%
\$50,000 or more (63%)	43%	55%

#### **Total family income:**

	<b>House Vote Democrat</b>	House Vote Republican
Less than \$100,000 (74%)	49%	49%
\$100,000 or more (26%)	40%	58%

# Total family income:

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

Under \$50,000 (37%)	53%	44%
\$50,000-\$99,999 (37%)	44%	54%
\$100,000 or more (26%)	40%	58%

#### Income by Race

### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

Under 50k and White (26%)	42%	55%
Over 50k and White (52%)	37%	61%
Under 50k and Non-white (11%)	) 81%	17%
Over 50k and Non-white (11%)	69%	28%

#### What was the last grade of school you completed?

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
No high school diploma (3%)	59%	37%
High school graduate (18%)	45%	53%
Some college/assoc. degree (30%)	43%	54%
College graduate (28%)	41%	56%
Postgraduate study (20%)	51%	47%

#### What was the last grade of school you completed?

	House Vote Democra	t House Vote Republican
More than high school grad (78%)	45%	53%
High school graduate or less (22%)	47%	50%

# What was the last grade of school you completed?

	House	Vote Democrat House Vote Republican	
ate (49%)	46%	52%	

College graduate (49%)	46%	52%
No college degree (51%)	45%	52%

# **Education by race**

	<b>House Vote Democra</b>	t House Vote Republican
White college graduates (40%)	40%	58%
White non-college graduates (39%)	34%	63%
Non White college graduates (9%)	71%	27%
Non White non-college graduates (13%)	) 77%	22%

# No matter how you voted today, do you usually think of yourself as a:

	House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican	
Democrat (36%)	92%	7%
Republican (36%)	4%	95%
Independent or something else (28%)	) 38%	56%

# Party by race

	<b>House Vote Democrat</b>	House Vote Republican
White Democrats (22%)	89%	9%
White Independents (23%)	34%	60%
White Republicans (33%)	4%	95%
Non-White Democrats (14%)	96%	3%
All other (8%)	39%	57%

# On most political matters, do you consider yourself:

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Liberal (20%)	90%	8%
Moderate (39%)	55%	42%
Conservative (41%)	14%	84%

### Is this the first time you have ever voted?

	<b>House Vote Democrat</b>	House Vote Republican
Yes (3%)	49%	46%
No (97%)	45%	52%

# Religion, combined Protestant and other Christian.

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Protestant/Other Christian (54%)	39%	60%
Catholic (25%)	44%	54%
Jewish (2%)	-	-

25% 32%

Something else (8%)	73%	
None (12%)	66%	

### **Religion among whites**

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
White Protestant/Other Christian (44%)	29%	69%
White Catholic (19%)	39%	59%
White Jewish (2%)	-	-
White something else (5%)	65%	34%
White none (9%)	63%	36%
Non-white (22%)	75%	23%

# White Evangelical/Born-again Christians

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
White Evangelical/Born-again Christians (25%)	20%	78%
All others (75%)	55%	43%

### Do you attend religious services once a week or more?

 House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

 Yes (48%) 39%
 60%

 No (52%) 54%
 44%

#### Do you have any children under 18 living in your household?

House Vote Democ	erat House Vote Republican
Yes (32%) 46%	52%
No (68%) 47%	51%

#### **Parents**

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Men with children (16%)	40%	58%
Women with children (16%)	52%	45%
Men without children (32%)	44%	54%
Women without children (36%)	50%	48%

#### Does someone in your household belong to a labor union?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Yes (17%)	60%	38%
No (83%)	43%	55%

# Has anyone in your household lost a job or been laid off in the last two years?

Yes (31%) 50%	48%
No (69%) 45%	53%

# Are you gay, lesbian or bisexual?

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
Yes (3%)	68%	31%
No (97%)	46%	52%

#### In the 2008 election for president, did you vote for:

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

Obama (D) (45%)	84%	13%
McCain (R) (45%)	7%	91%
Other (3%)	33%	56%
Didn't vote (4%)	38%	60%

#### Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Strongly approve (23%)	94%	5%
Somewhat approve (22%)	76%	21%
Somewhat disapprove (14%)	27%	68%
Strongly disapprove (40%)	6%	92%

# Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Approve (45%)	85%	13%
Disapprove (54%)	11%	86%

#### Was one reason for your vote for U.S. House today:

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
To express support for Barack Obama (24%)	95%	3%
To express opposition to Barack Obama (37%)	5%	93%
Barack Obama was not a factor (37%)	53%	43%

# In the long run, do you think Barack Obama's policies will:

	House Vote Democra	t House Vote Republican
Help the country (43%)	87%	11%
Hurt the country (52%)	9%	89%

# Is your opinion of the Democratic Party:

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
Favorable (43%)	91%	8%
Unfavorable (53%)	10%	88%

#### Is your opinion of the Republican Party:

	House Vote Democra	t House Vote Republican
Favorable (42%)	11%	88%
Unfavorable (52%)	) 75%	23%

### Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
Strongly approve (4%)	85%	11%
Somewhat approve (20%)	79%	20%
Somewhat disapprove (26%)	) 56%	42%
Strongly disapprove (47%)	20%	77%

# Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican		
Approve (25%)	80%	18%
Disapprove (73%)	33%	65%

#### Which is closer to your view:

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Government should do more to solve problems (38%)	78%	20%
Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals (56%)	20%	77%

# Which of these best describes your feelings about the way the federal government is working?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Enthusiastic (3%)	90%	9%
Satisfied, but not enthusiastic (21%)	82%	15%
Dissatisfied, but not angry (48%)	42%	55%
Angry (26%)	13%	84%

# Which of these best describes your feelings about the way the federal government is working?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Positive (24%)	83%	14%
Negative (74%)	32%	65%

# How do you feel about the Tea Party movement?

7%	91%
16%	82%
47%	50%
76%	22%
90%	8%
	16% 47% 76%

### How do you feel about the Tea Party movement?

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

Support (40%) 11%	87%
Neutral (25%) 47%	50%
Oppose (31%) 86%	12%

#### Was one reason for your vote for U.S. House today to send a message:

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
In favor of the Tea Party movement (22%)	7%	91%
Against the Tea Party movement (17%)	92%	6%
The Tea Party movement was not a factor (56%)	45%	51%

# Which ONE of these four issues is the most important facing the country? (CHECK ONLY ONE)

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

The war in Afghanistan (89	%) 56%	42%
Health care (18%)	52%	46%
The economy (62%)	44%	54%
Illegal immigration (8%)	26%	69%

Which ONE of these four issues is the most important facing the country? (CHECK ONLY ONE)

The economy (62%)	44%	54%
All other issues (34%)	47%	51%

### Which should be the highest priority for the next Congress?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Cutting taxes (19%)	26%	72%
Reducing the budget deficit (39%)	33%	64%
Spending to create jobs (37%)	68%	30%

#### How worried are you about the direction of the nation's economy in the next year?

Very worried (50%)	28%	70%
Somewhat worried (36%)	56%	40%
Not too worried (10%)	82%	17%
Not at all worried (3%)	-	-

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

# How worried are you about the direction of the nation's economy in the next year?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Worried (87%)	40%	58%
Not worried (13%)	79%	20%

# Do you think the condition of the nation's economy is:

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

-	-
79%	20%
52%	45%
26%	71%
	52%

#### State of the national economy: 2 way

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
Excellent/Good (10%)	78%	20%
Not so good/Poor (89%)	) 41%	56%

# Compared to two years ago, is your family's financial situation:

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
Better (14%)	58%	39%
Worse (41%)	34%	63%
About the same (43%)	) 51%	46%

### So far, has the economic stimulus package:

	<b>House Vote Democrat</b>	House Vote Republican
Helped the economy (32%)	85%	13%
Hurt the economy (33%)	12%	86%
Made no difference (32%)	39%	58%

#### Who is most to blame for current economic problems?

	<b>House Vote Democrat</b>	House Vote Republican
Wall Street bankers (35%)	42%	56%
George W. Bush (29%)	85%	14%
Barack Obama (23%)	7%	91%

# Do you expect life for the next generation of Americans to be:

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Better than life today (32%)	59%	40%
Worse than life today (38%)	32%	65%
About the same (26%)	53%	45%

# Do you think things in this country today are:

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Generally going in the right direction (35%)	83%	15%
Seriously off on the wrong track (62%)	23%	75%

### What should Congress do with the new health care law?

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

Expand it (31%)	84%	14%
Leave it as is (16%)	66%	31%
Repeal it (48%)	11%	87%

#### How should Congress vote on the Bush-era tax cuts?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Continue them for all (39%)	14%	83%
Continue them only for families who earn less than \$250,000 a year (37%)	64%	33%
Let them expire for all (15%)	74%	23%

#### How do you feel about the U.S. war in Afghanistan?

#### House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican

Approve (40%)	25%	74%
Disapprove (54%)	61%	36%

### Should same-sex marriages be legally recognized in your state?

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
Yes (40%)	66%	32%
No (54%)	28%	69%

#### In your vote for U.S. House, how important was \_\_\_\_\_?

The single most important factor (9	9%) 56%	42%
One of several important factors (3	88%) 40%	58%
A minor factor (14%)	43%	55%
Not a factor at all (35%)	50%	47%

# In your vote for U.S. House, how important was Friday's terrorism attempt?

	House Vote Democrat House Vote Republican	
An important factor (47%)	43%	55%
Not an important factor (49%)	) 48%	49%

# In your vote for U.S. House, how important was Friday's terrorism attempt?

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
A factor (61%)	43%	55%
Not a factor (35%)	50%	47%

#### Population of area, five categories

	House Vote Democrat	t House Vote Republican
Over 500 thousand (11%)	) 64%	34%
50 to 500 thousand (20%	) 51%	46%
Suburbs (50%)	42%	55%
10 to 50 thousand (7%)	42%	55%
Rural (13%)	35%	63%

### **Population of area, three categories**

City over 50 thousand (30%)	) 56%	41%
Suburbs (50%)	42%	55%
Small city and Rural (20%)	38%	60%

# **National Region**

	House Vote Democrat	House Vote Republican
East (21%)	53%	45%
Midwest (25%)	44%	54%
South (31%)	38%	60%
West (23%)	49%	48%

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