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Methodology

The National Public Radio/Kaiser Family Foundation/Kennedy School of Government Survey about Poverty in America is part of an ongoing project of National Public Radio, the Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation, and Harvard University's Kennedy School of Government. Representatives of the three sponsors worked together to develop the survey questionnaire and to analyze the results, with NPR maintaining sole editorial control over its broadcasts on the surveys. The project team includes:

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The results of this project are based on a telephone survey conducted in English and Spanish between January 4 and February 27, 2001 among a nationally random representative sample of 1952 respondents 18 years of age and older. There was an oversample of 546 respondents who were identified as having an income of less than 200% of the federal poverty level. Overall the sample included 294 respondents having an income of less than 100% of the federal poverty level, 613 having an income of between 100% and 200% of the federal poverty level, and 1,045 with an income above 200% of the federal poverty level. The results for all groups are weighted to reflect the actual distribution in the nation. The fieldwork was conducted by ICR/International Communications Research. The results for all groups are weighted to reflect the actual distribution in the nation. The margin of sampling error is plus or minus 2.2 percentage points for total respondents, plus or minus 7.5 percentage points for those with an income of less than 100% of the federal poverty level, plus or minus 5.4 percentage points for those with an income of between 100% and 200% of the federal poverty level, and plus or minus 2.6 percentage points for those with an income above 200% of the federal poverty level. For results based on subsets of respondents the margin of error is higher.

When interpreting these findings, keep in mind that because this was a telephone survey, it under-represents groups less likely to have telephones, such as people with very low incomes.

As shown, some questions were asked only of subsets of respondents (e.g., people who said they knew about the new welfare law). The tables identify whether the results reflect percentages of the overall population or percentages of a subset. In some cases results for particular income-level subgroups are not shown because there were too few respondents on which to report. An asterisk () indicates a response of less than 1%. Question numbers are not always in numerical order, but all questions appear in the order they were asked of respondents.*

I. General Background

(Results for total respondents)

1. What do you think are the two most important issues for the government to address?

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Healthcare (Net)	21	14	22	21
Healthcare/healthcare reform	15	10	13	16
Medicare	4	1	5	3
Prescription drug costs are too high	3	2	5	3
Other healthcare	1	*	*	1
Economical (Net)	26	30	24	26
The economy	11	10	4	13
Better wages/increase minimum wage	2	5	3	2
Unemployment/create more jobs	4	7	8	2
Poverty/more help for the poor/homeless	6	6	6	6
Welfare/welfare reform	3	4	4	3
Housing/better housing for low income	1	2	1	1
Other economical	*	1	*	*
Governmental/Political Issues (Net)	20	14	15	22
The election process/revamping the voting process	2	2	1	2
National budget/deficit/reducing the nation's deficit	4	3	2	4
Foreign policy/foreign relations	3	3	2	4
World peace/peace in the Middle East	2	*	1	2
Military/national defense/strengthen our country's defense	6	2	5	7
Campaign finance reform	1	*	1	1
Honesty in Government	1	1	1	1
Keep Government out of our lives	1	1	--	1
Other Governmental/political issues	2	2	3	2
Unlawful (net)	12	12	11	12
Crime/violence	5	6	5	5
Drug problems	4	6	3	3
Gun control/gun laws	3	1	3	3
Racism/civil rights	1	1	2	1
Other unlawful	*	1	*	*

Miscellaneous (Net)	63	55	64	64
Education/school system/better schooling	28	21	29	29
Taxes/tax reform	20	10	18	22
Social Security	12	12	14	12
Environmental issues/lack of concern for the environment/pollution	3	1	2	4
Utility rates/gas, electric, and oil rates	3	4	3	3
Abortion issues	4	2	4	4
Moral values	2	3	2	2
Immigration/illegal alien issues (general)	2	5	4	1
Senior citizens/more help for the elderly	3	5	3	3
Energy crisis	1	1	1	1
Childcare/childcare reform	1	1	2	1
Other	6	7	4	6
Don't know	9	17	11	8
Nothing	1	*	*	1

(Results for total respondents)

2. How big a problem is poverty in our society today? Is it a big problem, somewhat of a problem, a small problem, or not a problem at all?

	---BIG/SOMEWHAT PROBLEM---			--SMALL/NOT A PROBLEM-			Don't know
	NET	Big	Somewhat	NET	Small	Not	
Total	88	55	33	11	8	2	1
<100%	91	67	24	7	5	2	2
100-200%	90	63	27	9	7	2	*
200%+	87	52	35	12	9	2	1

(Results for total respondents)

3. How satisfied are you with the way the economy is going these days – very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not very satisfied, or not satisfied at all?

	-----SATISFIED-----			-----NOT SATISFIED-----			Don't know
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not very	Not at all	
Total	70	14	57	29	19	10	1
<100%	57	10	47	41	22	19	2
100-200%	62	10	52	37	23	14	1
200%+	74	15	59	26	17	8	*

(Results for total respondents)

4. How would you rate your own financial situation today? Would you say it is excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

	-----EXCELLENT/GOOD-----			-----FAIR/POOR-----			Don't know
	NET	Excellent	Good	NET	Only fair	Poor	
Total	50	7	43	49	38	11	*
<100%	16	1	15	84	44	40	--
100-200%	24	2	22	75	58	18	*
200%+	60	9	52	39	33	6	*

(Results for respondents who rate their own financial situation as excellent or good)

[Total =836 , <100% , 100-200% , 200%+ = too few respondents to report on]

5. Would you say you are doing well financially primarily because of your own effort and abilities, because of good luck, or because of things other people have done for you?

	My own efforts and abilities	Good luck	Things other people have done for me	Don't know
Total	86	3	9	2

(Results for respondents who rate their own financial situation as only fair or poor)

[Total =1105 , <100% =253, 100-200%= 465, 200%+ =387]

6. Would you say you are not doing so well financially because of something you yourself have done or failed to do, because of bad luck, or because of things other people have done to you?

	Something I have failed to do	Bad luck	Things other people have done to me	Don't know
Total	43	22	20	15
<100%	34	29	21	16
100-200%	41	24	20	15
200%+	46	20	20	15

4/5/6 Summary Table

	Total
Excellent/Good (NET)	50
Because of my own efforts and abilities	43
Because of good luck	2
Because of things other people have done for me	4
Fair/Poor (NET)	49
Because of something I have done or failed to do	20
Because of bad luck	10
Because of other things other people have done for me	10
Don't know	*

II. Why People Are Poor

(Results for total respondents)

8. In your opinion, which is the bigger cause of poverty today — that people are not doing enough to help themselves out of poverty, or that circumstances beyond their control cause them to be poor?

	People not doing enough	Circumstances	Both equal	Don't know
Total	48	45	NA	7
<100%	39	57	NA	52
100-200%	44	46	NA	10
200%+	50	44	NA	6

(Results for total respondents)

9. Now I have some more-detailed questions about poverty in America. Not everyone will have heard about all the issues I'm asking about. Please answer each question to the best of your knowledge, but if you're not sure about an answer, just say so. For each of the following, please tell me if this is a major cause of poverty, a minor cause of poverty, or not a cause at all. Is (READ FIRST ITEM) a major cause of poverty, a minor cause of poverty, or not a cause at all? How about (READ NEXT ITEMS)?

Drug Abuse

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	70	24	5	2
<100%	74	14	11	1
100-200%	76	18	3	2
200%+	68	26	4	2

Medical Bills

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	58	32	7	2
<100%	71	21	6	2
100-200%	68	23	7	2
200%+	54	35	8	3

Too many jobs being part time or low wage

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	54	32	10	4
<100%	70	20	7	3
100-200%	61	25	9	5
200%+	50	36	11	3

Too many single parent families

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	54	32	12	2
<100%	64	22	10	4
100-200%	59	27	10	3
200%+	52	35	12	1

A shortage of jobs

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	34	41	23	2
<100%	62	26	11	1
100-200%	47	34	17	2
200%+	27	45	26	2

The welfare system

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	46	37	11	7
<100%	46	36	10	7
100-200%	44	33	11	11
200%+	47	37	11	5

Too many immigrants

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	30	40	26	4
<100%	42	32	21	5
100-200%	38	33	22	7
200%+	27	42	28	3

Poor people lacking motivation

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	52	35	9	4
<100%	55	34	8	3
100-200%	56	33	6	5
200%+	51	35	10	4

Decline in moral values

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	57	29	12	3
<100%	57	29	10	4
100-200%	59	25	12	4
200%+	56	30	12	2

Poor quality of public schools

	Major	Minor	Not a Cause	Don't know
Total	47	36	13	4
<100%	45	36	13	6
100-200%	47	30	16	8
200%+	47	38	12	3

(Results for respondents who mentioned more than one cause as major)

[Total =1869, <100% =288, 100-200%=587 , 200%+ =994]

9/9a Most Important Cause Summary: You mentioned (INSERT ITEMS [Q.9 = 1]) as major causes. Which one would you say is the MOST IMPORTANT CAUSE?

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Drug abuse	13	22	12	11
Medical bills	6	10	9	5
Too many jobs being part time or low wage	13	17	13	12
Too many single-parent families	8	6	8	7
A shortage of jobs	6	10	7	5
The welfare system	6	3	5	6
Too many immigrants	4	5	5	4
Poor people lacking motivation	11	8	10	12
Decline in moral values	13	6	13	14
Poor quality of public schools	16	9	12	17
None of these	1	1	2	1
Don't know	3	2	4	3
No item a major cause	2	*	1	2

III. Perceptions of Poor People

(Results for total respondents)

10. Do you think that most poor people in the United States are people who work but can't earn enough money, or people who don't work?

	Work	Don't work	Don't know
Total	61	34	5
<100%	70	28	2
100-200%	61	33	6
200%+	60	34	5

(Results for total respondents)

11. Do you think poor people in this country are better off, worse off, or about the same as other Americans in terms of health care?

	Better off	Worse off	About the same	Don't know
Total	13	61	21	5
<100%	14	56	27	2
100-200%	14	53	27	6
200%+	13	63	19	5

(Results for total respondents)

12. In general, do you think poor people have higher, lower, or about the same moral values as other Americans?

	Higher	Lower	Same	Don't know
Total	8	21	67	5
<100%	19	22	57	2
100-200%	7	23	65	5
200%+	6	20	68	5

(Results for total respondents)

13. Do you think that poor people find it hard to get work, or do you think there are jobs available for anyone who is willing to work?

	Hard to get work	Jobs available	Don't know
Total	27	69	4
<100%	44	50	6
100-200%	29	68	3
200%+	25	72	3

(Results for total respondents)

- 14. Which of the following statements comes closer to your own views? (Rotate: Poor people today have it easy because they can get government benefits without doing anything in return or poor people have hard lives because government benefits don't go far enough to help them live decently)**

	Poor people have it easy	Poor people have hard lives	Don't know
Total	46	43	11
<100%	31	59	10
100-200%	37	51	12
200%+	50	39	10

(Results for one half of total respondents)

- 15. I'd like to know what income level you think makes a family poor. Would you consider a family of four that makes (INSERT 1st AMOUNT) a year to be poor? How about (INSERT NEXT AMOUNT)? Would you consider a family of four making (INSERT AMOUNT) to be poor?**

(Percentage answering YES to each level.)

	2/01 Total	<100%	100- 200%	200%+
Not \$10,000*	5	12	9	3
\$10,000	95	88	91	97
\$15,000	88	75	83	91
\$20,000	64	39	50	71
\$25,000	42	25	30	46
\$30,000	20	12	14	22
\$35,000	12	7	7	13
\$40,000	6	4	3	7
\$45,000	4	3	2	5
\$50,000	2	2	1	2

*This represents the group that said they did NOT consider a family of four making \$10,000 a year to be poor or said they did not know. That is 4% of total respondents said that they would not consider a family of four making \$10,000 a year to be poor and 1% either did not know or refused (DK/REF); 9% of those earning <100% of the federal poverty level said they would not consider a family of four making \$10,000 a year to be poor, and 3% said DK/REF. 8% of those earning 100-200% of the federal poverty level said they would not consider a family of four making \$10,000 a year to be poor and 1% said they did not know. 3% of those earning 200%+ of the federal poverty level said they would not consider a family making \$10,000 a year to be poor.

(Results for one half of total respondents)

16. I'd like to know what you think is the least amount of money a family of four can get by on in a year. Do you think a family of four could get by on (INSERT 1ST AMOUNT) a year? How about (INSERT NEXT AMOUNT)? Could a family of four get by on (INSERT AMOUNT)?

(Percentage answering NO to each level.)

	2/01 Total	<100%	100- 200%	200%+
\$10,000	91	75	90	93
\$15,000	80	53	69	85
\$20,000	50	26	32	57
\$25,000	29	11	15	34
\$30,000	14	5	6	17
\$35,000	8	2	3	9
\$40,000	4	*	2	4
\$45,000	2	*	1	3
\$50,000	1	*	--	1

IV. Comparative Perspective

(Results for total respondents)

17. Compared with 10 years ago, do you think it is easier today or harder today for a person to start out poor, work hard, and to get out of poverty?

	Easier	Harder	Same	Don't know
Total	44	48	NA	7
<100%	34	62	NA	4
100-200%	34	59	NA	7
200%+	48	44	NA	8

(Results for total respondents)

17a. From what you know, what portion of poor people in this country do you think are African American? About a tenth, about a quarter, about half, or about three-quarters?

	A tenth	A quarter	Half	Three-quarters	Don't know
Total	12	33	31	10	14
<100%	9	26	36	20	10
100-200%	9	31	33	10	17
200%+	13	34	30	9	14

V. The Government's Role

(Results for total respondents)

19. In terms of the amount of money we as a country are spending on assistance to poor people, do you think we are spending too much, too little, or about the right amount?

	Too much	Too little	Right amount	Don't know
Total	18	38	36	8
<100%	12	47	32	9
100-200%	14	39	37	10
200%+	20	36	36	7

(Results for total respondents)

20. If the government were willing to spend whatever it thought was necessary to eliminate poverty in the United States, do you think that this is something that could be accomplished, or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	47	49	4
<100%	65	29	6
100-200%	55	39	6
200%+	43	54	3

(Results for total respondents)

21. Do you think government programs that try to improve the condition of poor people in this country are generally making things better, are making things worse, or aren't having much impact one way or another?

	Making things better	Making things worse	Not much impact one way or the other	Don't know
Total	34	13	48	4
<100%	43	11	44	2
100-200%	35	11	48	6
200%+	33	14	49	4

(Results for respondents who think it is easier or harder than it was ten years ago for poor people to get out of poverty)

22. Earlier in this interview you said it's (easier/harder) than it was ten years ago for poor people to get out of poverty by working hard. How much (credit/blame) do you give the federal government for making it (easier/harder) — a lot, some, not much, or none at all?

Easier: [Total =819, <100% =101, 100-200%= 215, 200%+ =503]

	A lot	Some	Not much	None at all	Don't know
Total	15	51	21	12	2
<100%	26	51	13	9	1
100-200%	19	51	21	6	3
200%+	13	51	21	13	2

Harder: [Total =1000, <100% =181, 100-200%= 362, 200%+ =457]

	A lot	Some	Not much	None at all	Don't know
Total	26	47	15	8	4
<100%	33	42	16	8	2
100-200%	26	45	16	8	5
200%+	24	49	15	8	4

17/22 Combined

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Easier (NET)	44	34	34	48
A lot of credit	6	9	6	6
Some credit	23	17	18	24
Not much credit	9	4	7	10
No credit at all	5	3	2	6
Harder (NET)	48	62	59	44
A lot of blame	12	20	15	11
Some blame	23	26	26	22
Not much blame	7	10	9	7
No blame at all	4	5	4	4
Don't know	7	4	7	8

(Results for one half of total respondents)

[Total = 977 , <100% = 146, 100-200%= 308, 200%+ = 523]

23a. Here is a list of things the government could do to directly help the poor in America. Please tell me if you support or oppose each. Do you support or oppose (INSERT 1ST ITEM)? How about (INSERT NEXT ITEMS)?

Increasing the minimum wage

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	85	14	1
<100%	93	7	*
100-200%	91	9	*
200%+	82	17	1

Increasing tax credits for low-income workers

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	80	17	3
<100%	80	17	3
100-200%	79	18	4
200%+	81	16	3

Increasing cash assistance for families

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	54	40	6
<100%	75	22	3
100-200%	58	36	6
200%+	51	43	7

Expanding subsidized daycare

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	85	12	4
<100%	90	7	2
100-200%	76	14	10
200%+	86	12	2

Spending more for medical care for poor people

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	83	14	2
<100%	88	11	1
100-200%	83	14	3
200%+	83	15	3

Spending more for housing for poor people

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	75	23	2
<100%	84	16	--
100-200%	79	18	2
200%+	72	25	3

Making food stamps more available to poor people

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	61	35	4
<100%	78	18	3
100-200%	71	25	4
200%+	57	39	4

Guaranteeing everyone a minimum income

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	57	39	5
<100%	71	26	3
100-200%	61	31	7
200%+	54	42	4

(Results for one half of total respondents)

[Total = 977 , <100% = 146, 100-200%= 308, 200%+ = 523]

23b. Here is a list of things the government could do that some people say would reduce poverty in America. Do you support or oppose the government doing each? How about (INSERT ITEM) do you support or oppose the government doing this?

Requiring public schools teach about moral values and the work ethic

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	83	15	2
<100%	87	10	3
100-200%	85	12	3
200%+	82	16	2

Expanding public employment programs

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	82	14	4
<100%	88	7	5
100-200%	87	9	4
200%+	79	17	4

Expanding job-training programs

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	94	5	1
<100%	95	3	2
100-200%	94	4	2
200%+	94	5	1

Improving public schools in low-income areas.

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	94	5	1
<100%	93	5	2
100-200%	94	4	2
200%+	94	5	1

Making it harder to get divorced.

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	38	55	7
<100%	42	44	13
100-200%	47	48	5
200%+	36	58	6

Putting more police in low-income areas.

	Support	Oppose	Don't Know
Total	72	25	3
<100%	78	17	5
100-200%	80	18	2
200%+	69	28	3

(Results for total who support programs that can directly help the poor/reduce poverty in America and could cost money)

[Total =1926, <100% =291, 100-200%=607, 200%+ =1028]

24. Would you be willing to pay more in taxes to pay for more of such government spending to help the poor?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	57	40	3
<100%	60	36	4
100-200%	55	40	5
200%+	57	40	2

(Results for respondents who would be willing to pay more in taxes for more government spending to help the poor)

[Total =1127, <100% =187, 100-200%= 338, 200%+ =602]

25. Would you be willing to pay \$200 a year more in taxes?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	78	19	3
<100%	66	30	3
100-200%	71	25	4
200%+	80	17	3

[Total =1926, <100% =291, 100-200%= 607, 200%+ =1028]

24/25 Summary

	-----YES-----			No	Don't know
	NET	Willing to pay \$200	Not willing to pay \$200		
Total	57	44	11	40	3
<100%	60	40	18	36	4
100-200%	55	39	14	40	5
200%+	57	46	10	40	2

23/24/25 Summary

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Support Programs (NET)	99	99	99	98
Willing to pay more in taxes (NET)	56	59	54	56
Willing to pay \$200	44	39	39	45
Not willing to pay \$200	11	18	14	9
Not willing to pay more in taxes	39	36	40	40
Do not support programs	1	1	1	2
Don't know	--	--	--	--

VI. Perceptions of Welfare and Welfare Recipients

(Results for total respondents)

27. In your opinion, do you think that most people who receive money from welfare today could get along without it if they tried, or do you think that most of them really need this help?

	Get along without it	Really need this help	Don't know
Total	44	47	9
<100%	35	60	6
100-200%	40	49	10
200%+	46	45	9

(Results for total respondents)

28. In general, do you think people on welfare have higher, lower, or about the same moral values as other Americans?

	Higher	Lower	About the same	Don't know
Total	3	29	63	5
<100%	6	34	56	4
100-200%	3	31	61	5
200%+	3	28	64	5

(Results for total respondents)

29. Do you think that most welfare recipients today really want to work or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	47	44	9
<100%	52	41	7
100-200%	42	47	11
200%+	48	43	9

(Results for total respondents)

30. Do you think there are jobs available for most welfare recipients who really want to work or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	78	18	4
<100%	73	25	1
100-200%	74	19	7
200%+	79	17	4

(Results for respondents who think there are jobs available for most welfare recipients who really want to work)

[Total =1477, <100% =211, 100-200%= 455, 200%+ =811]

31. Do you think most of the jobs they can get pay enough to support a family or not?

	Yes	No	Depends	Don't know
Total	35	59	NA	6
<100%	35	60	NA	5
100-200%	30	62	NA	8
200%+	36	59	NA	5

30/31 Summary Table

	-----JOBS AVAILABLE-----				Don't know
	NET	Jobs pay enough	Jobs do not pay enough	No jobs available	
Total	78	27	46	18	4
<100%	73	25	44	25	1
100-200%	74	22	46	19	7
200%+	79	28	46	17	4

(Results for total respondents)

32. Do you think that welfare encourages women to have more children than they would have if they were not able to get welfare, or not?

	Yes	No	Depends	Don't know
Total	57	36	NA	7
<100%	47	45	NA	8
100-200%	55	37	NA	8
200%+	58	35	NA	7

VII. Perceptions of the New Welfare Law

Now I have some specific questions about the welfare system. Not everyone will have heard about all the issues I'm asking about. Please answer each question to the best of your knowledge, but if you're not sure about an answer, just say so.

(Results for total respondents)

33. To the best of your knowledge, has there been a major change in welfare laws in the past five years, or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	50	18	32
<100%	54	21	25
100-200%	43	18	39
200%+	51	18	31

(Results for respondents who believe there has been a major change in the welfare laws in the past 5 years)

[Total =1024, <100% =170, 100-200%= 290, 200%+ =564]

34. Just to refresh your memory. The new welfare law, which Congress passed in 1996, ends the federal guarantee of public assistance for the poor. It also requires able-bodied recipients to work within two years. It sets a lifetime limit on federal benefits of five years for most people. And it gives the states a lot of flexibility. All in all, do you think the new welfare law is working well, or not?

	Working well	Not working well	Both	Don't know
Total	61	23	2	15
<100%	53	35	3	9
100-200%	54	26	1	18
200%+	63	20	2	15

(Results for respondents who believe there has been a major change in the welfare laws in the past 5 years)

[Total =1024, <100% =170, 100-200%= 290, 200%+ =564]

35. The number of Americans receiving public assistance has dropped significantly over the last few years. Do you think this is mainly because the strong economy has created lots of new jobs in the past few years, or because changes in the welfare laws have forced more people to go to work?

	Strong economy has created lots of new jobs in the past few years	Changes in the welfare laws have forced more people to go to work	Both	Don't know
Total	23	62	11	4
<100%	16	73	5	6
100-200%	18	71	7	4
200%+	25	59	13	3

(Results for respondents who believe there has been a major change in the welfare laws in the past 5 years)

[Total =1024, <100% =170, 100-200%=290, 200%+ =564]

36. In general, has the new welfare law resulted in more or less respect for people on welfare or has it had no impact on this?

	More respect	Less respect	No impact	Don't know
Total	33	11	44	12
<100%	39	19	34	8
100-200%	39	13	35	12
200%+	31	10	47	12

(Results for respondents who believe there has been a major change in the welfare laws in the past 5 years)

[Total =1024, <100% =170, 100-200%=290, 200%+ =564]

37. In general, do you think the new welfare law has given the poor themselves more SELF-respect, less self-respect, or has it had no impact on this?

	More self-respect	Less self respect	No impact	Don't know
Total	57	8	25	9
<100%	52	20	23	5
100-200%	59	12	24	6
200%+	57	6	26	11

(Results for respondents who believe there has been a major change in the welfare laws in the past 5 years)

[Total =1024, <100% =170, 100-200%=290, 200%+ =564]

39. In general, do you think most people who have left the welfare rolls have gotten out of poverty, or do you think they are still poor, even if they have found jobs?

	Out of poverty	Still poor	Don't know
Total	19	73	8
<100%	16	77	7
100-200%	19	74	7
200%+	19	72	9

(Results for respondents who believe there has been a major change in the welfare laws in the past 5 years)

[Total =1024, <100% =170, 100-200%=290, 200%+ =564]

39a. Do you think the new welfare law has led women on welfare to have more children than they would have otherwise, fewer children, or has it made no difference?

	More children	Fewer children	No difference	Don't know
Total	17	26	47	9
<100%	25	24	46	5
100-200%	18	29	43	10
200%+	16	26	48	10

(Results for respondents who believe there has been a major change in the welfare laws in the past 5 years)

[Total =1024, <100% =170, 100-200%=290, 200%+ =564]

40. Do you think the new welfare law has made it easier to get public assistance, harder to get public assistance, or hasn't it made much of a difference at all?

	Easier	Harder	No difference	Don't know
Total	9	56	25	10
<100%	14	63	19	3
100-200%	13	55	22	9
200%+	7	55	27	11

(Results for respondents who think the new welfare law is working well)

[Total =613, <100% =97, 100-200%=165, 200%+ =351]

40A. Earlier in this survey you said that, all in all, the new welfare law is working (well/both working well and not). There are many reasons people give for why they think the new law is working well. I'm going to read you a few of them. Please tell me whether each is a major reason you think the new law is working well, a minor reason, or not a reason at all:

The law has substantially cut the welfare rolls.

	Major	Minor	Not a reason	Don't know
Total	64	27	7	2
<100%	63	19	10	8
100-200%	56	32	11	2
200%+	66	27	6	2

The law requires people to go to work.

	Major	Minor	Not a reason	Don't know
Total	87	9	3	1
<100%	75	16	6	3
100-200%	79	13	8	1
200%+	89	8	2	1

Welfare departments are now doing more to help poor people.

	Major	Minor	Not a reason	Don't know
Total	52	28	14	6
<100%	64	17	12	7
100-200%	52	35	5	9
200%+	50	28	16	5

There is now less stigma attached to receiving welfare.

	Major	Minor	Not a reason	Don't know
Total	28	40	27	5
<100%	42	30	17	10
100-200%	35	38	22	5
200%+	25	42	28	5

(Results for those who think the new welfare law is working well)

[Total =613, <100% =97, 100-200%=165, 200%+ =351]

40a/40b Major Reason Summary: You mentioned (INSERT ITEMS [Q.40A = 1]) as major reasons. Which one would you say is the most important reason?

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
The law has substantially cut the welfare rolls.	12	6	10	14
The law requires people to go to work.	64	49	59	66
Welfare departments are now doing more to help poor people.	13	31	20	10
There is now less stigma attached to receiving welfare.	4	4	4	4
None of these	6	10	8	6
Don't know	--	--	--	--

(Results for respondents who think the new welfare law is not working well or both not working well and working well)

[Total =271, <100%, 100-200%, 200%+ = too few respondents to report on]

40C. Earlier in this survey you said that, all in all, the new welfare law is not working well. Some people believe the new law isn't working well because it is denying too many people the help they really need. Others believe it is not working well because it still hasn't cut enough people from the welfare rolls. Which belief is closer to YOUR view?

	Denying too many people the help they really need	Still hasn't cut enough people from the welfare rolls	Don't know
Total	64	31	5

VIII. Personal Experience with Economic Problems

(Results for respondents who rate their own financial situation today as only fair or poor)

[Total =1105, <100% =253, 100-200%=465, 200%+ =387]

41. When you think of your situation today, do you think of yourself as poor or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	35	64	1
<100%	77	21	2
100-200%	44	54	2
200%+	20	80	1

4/41 Summary Table

	Financial situation is excellent/good	-FINANCIAL SITUATION IS FAIR/POOR--			Don't know
		NET	Think of yourself as poor	Do not think of yourself as poor	
Total	50	49	17	32	*
<100%	16	84	65	18	--
100-200%	24	75	33	41	*
200%+	60	39	8	31	*

(Results for total respondents)

42. Thinking about your own family — both your immediate family living here and your other close relatives like aunts, uncles, cousins and so on — as far as you know, is anyone in your family poor?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	36	63	1
<100%	54	46	*
100-200%	41	59	1
200%+	32	67	1

(Results for total respondents)

43. Do you have any close friends who are poor?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	48	50	1
<100%	71	28	1
100-200%	59	39	2
200%+	43	56	1

(Results for total respondents)

46. In the past year, have you or someone in your immediate family had a **SERIOUS** problem with any of the following? Have you or someone in your immediate family had a serious problem with (INSERT 1st ITEM). How about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)?

Being unable to find child care or being forced to take your child out of childcare because you can't pay.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	15	82	2
<100%	21	77	3
100-200%	21	76	3
200%+	13	85	2

Falling behind in your rent or mortgage payments.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	28	71	1
<100%	42	56	3
100-200%	31	69	*
200%+	26	73	1

Falling behind in your gas, electric, or phone bills.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	33	65	1
<100%	53	47	*
100-200%	41	56	2
200%+	29	70	1

Being unable to pay for adequate transportation to get to work or school.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	18	81	1
<100%	40	57	3
100-200%	22	77	1
200%+	14	85	1

Being unable to get medical care because of the cost.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	32	67	1
<100%	51	48	1
100-200%	40	59	1
200%+	27	72	1

Having trouble paying a credit card balance.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	40	58	2
<100%	38	59	3
100-200%	39	59	1
200%+	40	57	2

Having too little money to buy enough food.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	23	76	1
<100%	52	47	2
100-200%	35	65	*
200%+	17	82	*

Getting divorced or separated, in part because of financial problems.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	13	85	2
<100%	18	81	1
100-200%	14	84	3
200%+	13	85	2

Being a victim of a crime.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	17	83	1
<100%	22	76	2
100-200%	16	84	1
200%+	16	84	*

Having a problem with alcohol or drug abuse.

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	20	79	1
<100%	22	78	*
100-200%	17	82	*
200%+	21	79	1

(Results for total respondents)

47. Have you or has anyone in your immediate family ever received welfare or public assistance benefits?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	38	61	1
<100%	64	35	1
100-200%	47	51	2
200%+	33	66	1

(Results for respondents who have or someone in their immediate family has received welfare or public assistance benefits)

[Total =864, <100% =200, 100-200%=310, 200%+ =354]

47a. Are you or is anyone in your immediate family receiving such benefits now?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	33	65	2
<100%	59	40	1
100-200%	35	60	5
200%+	26	72	2

(Results for respondents who have or someone in their immediate family has received welfare or public assistance benefits)

[Total =864, <100% =200, 100-200%=310, 200%+ =354]

47b. What about five years ago? (IF NECESSARY: Were you or anyone in your immediate family receiving welfare or public assistance benefits then?)

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	45	54	2
<100%	57	41	2
100-200%	43	55	2
200%+	42	56	2

47/47a/47b/47c Summary

	-----Respondent/Family Received Welfare/Benefits-----					Do not receive benefits	Don't know
	NET	Now	5 years ago	5-10 years ago	10+ years ago		
Total	38	12	17	5	10	61	1
<100%	64	38	37	5	5	35	1
100-200%	47	17	20	7	9	51	2
200%+	33	8	14	5	10	66	1

(Results for total respondents)

48. Do you have any close friends who have ever received welfare or public assistance?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	50	47	4
<100\$	61	36	3
100-200%	52	42	6
200%+	48	49	3

(Results for respondents who have close friends who have ever received welfare or public assistance)

[Total =1051, <100% =186, 100-200%=349, 200%+ =516]

48a. Are any of them now receiving welfare or public assistance?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	41	50	8
<100\$	60	30	9
100-200%	49	40	11
200%+	37	56	7

48/48a Summary Table

	-----YES-----			No	Don't know
	NET	Now receiving benefits	Not receiving benefits		
Total	50	21	25	47	4
<100%	61	37	19	36	3
100-200%	52	26	21	42	6
200%+	48	17	27	49	3

(Results for total respondents)

49. Some people tell us that they worry about becoming poor. What do you think?
Does the possibility of becoming poor worry you a great deal, worry you a little, or doesn't it worry you at all?

	Worries you a great deal	Worries you a little	Doesn't worry you at all	Don't know
Total	18	35	46	1
<100%	35	33	31	1
100-200%	27	34	37	2
200%+	15	35	50	*

(Results for total respondents)

51. How would you rate (READ ITEM) Would you say it is excellent, good, only fair or poor?

The housing you currently live in

	-----EXCELLENT/GOOD-----			----ONLY FAIR/POOR-----			Don't know
	NET	Excellent	Good	NET	Only fair	Poor	
Total	82	33	49	18	15	3	*
<100%	63	18	45	37	29	8	*
100-200%	72	21	51	28	25	3	*
200%+	87	38	49	13	11	2	*

Your health-care coverage

	-----EXCELLENT/GOOD-----			----ONLY FAIR/POOR-----			Don't know
	NET	Excellent	Good	NET	Only fair	Poor	
Total	69	28	41	28	19	9	2
<100%	52	12	41	45	24	21	3
100-200%	53	17	36	44	30	14	3
200%+	75	32	43	23	16	7	2

The safety of your neighborhood

	-----EXCELLENT/GOOD-----			----ONLY FAIR/POOR-----			Don't know
	NET	Excellent	Good	NET	Only fair	Poor	
Total	82	39	43	18	14	4	*
<100%	55	16	39	44	33	11	1
100-200%	75	27	48	25	20	5	*
200%+	87	44	43	13	11	2	*

(Results for total respondents)

52. I'd like to ask you some questions about where you live. Is there a (INSERT 1ST ITEM) convenient for you?

How about a (INSERT NEXT ITEM)

Bank

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	93	7	*
<100%	89	11	--
100-200%	91	9	--
200%+	93	6	*

Supermarket

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	92	8	*
<100%	86	13	*
100-200%	90	10	--
200%+	93	7	*

(Results for total respondents)

53. What is your employment status? Are you ...?

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Employed (NET)	64	37	49	70
Employed full time	55	22	39	62
Employed part time	9	15	10	8
Retired	20	25	27	17
Homemaker	6	13	8	5
Student	4	6	5	4
Unemployed and looking for work	3	6	5	2
Unemployed and not looking for work	2	11	4	1
Don't know	1	2	3	1

(Results for total respondents)

53a. What was your employment status five years ago? Were you ...?

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Employed (NET)	66	52	57	70
Employed full time	56	39	46	61
Employed part time	10	13	12	9
Retired	13	15	18	12
Homemaker	5	8	9	4
Student	11	9	9	11
Unemployed and looking for work	2	5	3	1
Unemployed and not looking for work	2	9	3	1
Don't know	1	2	1	1

(Results for total who are employed full or part time)

[Total =1213, <100% =123, 100-200%=336, 200%+ =754]

53b. On the whole, how satisfied are you with the work you do? Would you say you are very satisfied, moderately satisfied, a little dissatisfied, or very dissatisfied?

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Satisfied (NET)	90	74	85	92
Very satisfied	51	29	36	55
Moderately satisfied	39	45	49	37
Dissatisfied (NET)	10	26	14	8
A little dissatisfied	7	14	12	6
Very dissatisfied	3	11	3	2
Don't know	*	--	*	--

53/53b Summary

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Employed (NET)	64	37	49	70
Satisfied (NET)	57	27	41	64
Very satisfied	32	11	18	38
Moderately satisfied	25	17	24	26
Dissatisfied (NET)	6	9	7	6
A little dissatisfied	5	5	6	4
Very dissatisfied	2	4	1	1
Not employed	35	61	49	29
Don't know	1	2	3	1

53/53c Summary: How long is your commute to work or school? A half hour or less, a half hour to an hour, one to two hours, or more than two hours?

	-----EMPLOYED/STUDENT-----					Not employed/student	Don't know
	NET	A half hour or less	A half hour to an hour	One to two hours	More than two hours		
Total	68	50	12	3	1	31	1
<100%	43	29	10	2	1	55	2
100-200%	54	40	10	1	1	44	3
200%+	74	55	13	3	1	25	1

(Results for total respondents)

54. I am going to read you a list of things that some people do and others don't. In the past twelve months have you...?

Donated Money to an organization that helps the poor

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	68	32	1
<100%	43	57	-
100-200%	56	44	*
200%+	74	26	1

Contributed to an organization that helps the poor

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	42	58	1
<100%	39	60	1
100-200%	32	68	*
200%+	44	55	1

Directly tried to help a poor individual or family

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	67	32	*
<100%	66	33	*
100-200%	69	30	*
200%+	67	33	*

Contacted a public official about problems faced by poor people

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	10	89	*
<100%	13	87	*
100-200%	9	91	*
200%+	11	89	*

IX Demographics

(Results for total respondents)

55. In general, would you say your health is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?

	--EXCELLENT/VERY GOOD/GOOD--				-----FAIR/POOR-----			Don't know
	NET	Excellent	Very good	Good	NET	Fair	Poor	
Total	80	27	22	31	20	15	5	*
<100%	53	14	10	30	47	31	16	--
100-200%	67	18	15	34	33	22	10	*
200%+	86	31	25	30	14	11	3	*

(Results for total respondents)

56. How important is religion in your everyday life: the most important thing in your life, extremely important but not the most important thing, very important, somewhat important, or not important at all?

	-Most/Extremely/Somewhat Important				-Somewhat/Not At All Important-			Don't know
	NET	Most	Extremely	Very	NET	Somewhat	Not at all	
Total	69	19	18	32	30	22	8	1
<100%	68	17	17	34	32	25	7	*
100-200%	76	23	15	37	24	18	6	*
200%+	68	19	19	30	32	23	9	1

(Results for total respondents)

57. Have you had this phone number for the past year or longer or have you had it for less than a year?

	For the past year	Less than a year	Don't know
Total	86	14	*
<100%	74	26	*
100-200%	82	18	*
200%+	88	12	*

(Results for respondents who personally have or have someone in their immediate family has ever received welfare or public assistance benefits)

[Total =864, <100% =200, 100-200%=310, 200%+ =354]

58. Are you getting cash assistance from welfare or public assistance?

	Welfare	Public assistance	No	Both	Don't know
Total	2	4	93	*	*
<100%	8	11	79	1	1
100-200%	2	5	91	1	1
200%+	1	3	97	--	--

47/58 Summary

	---Ever Received Welfare/Public Assistance---				Not ever received welfare/public benefits	Don't know
	NET	Welfare	Public assistance	Neither		
Total	38	1	2	35	61	1
<100%	64	6	8	51	35	1
100-200%	47	2	3	43	51	2
200%+	33	*	1	32	66	1

(Asked of respondents receiving cash assistance from welfare or public assistance)

[Total =76, <100%, 100-200%, 200%+ =too few respondents to report on]

59. Have you received cash assistance for a year or less, or for more than a year?

	A year or less	More than a year	Don't know
Total	37	60	3

47/59 Summary

	----Have Ever Received Welfare/Public Assistance Benefits---						
	Currently Receiving Cash Assistance				Not currently receiving cash assistance	Have never received welfare/public assistance	Don't know
	NET	NET	Received for a year or less	Received for more than a year			
Total	38	3	1	1	35	61	1
<100%	64	13	4	8	51	35	1
100-200%	47	4	2	1	43	51	2
200%+	33	1	*	1	32	66	1

(Results for respondents who are receiving cash assistance from welfare or public assistance)

[Total =76, <100%, 100-200%, 200%+ =too few respondents to report on]

60. Do you expect to be receiving cash assistance one year from now?

	Yes	No	Don't know
Total	37	51	12

47/60 Summary

	-----Have Ever Received Welfare/Public Assistance Benefits-----						
	-Currently Receiving Cash Assistance--				Not currently receiving cash assistance	Have never received welfare/public assistance	Don't know
	NET	NET	Expect to be receiving one year from now	Do not expect to be receiving one year from now			
Total	38	3	1	1	35	61	1
<100%	64	13	4	7	51	35	1
100-200%	47	4	1	2	43	51	2
200%+	33	1	1	*	32	66	1

(Results for respondents who are receiving cash assistance from welfare or public assistance)

[Total =76, <100%, 100-200%, 200%+ =too few respondents to report on]

61. How much pressure do you feel you are getting from the government to find a job?

	A lot of pressure	Not too much pressure	No pressure at all	Don't know
Total	14	17	68	2

47/61 Summary

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Have ever received welfare or public assistance benefits (NET)	38	64	47	33
Currently receiving cash assistance	3	13	4	1
Feel a lot of pressure to find a job	*	3	*	*
Feel not too much pressure to find a job	*	2	1	*
Feel no pressure at all to find a job	2	8	3	1
Not currently receiving cash assistance	35	51	43	32
Have never received welfare or public assistance benefits	61	35	51	66
Don't know	1	1	2	1

(Results for respondents who are receiving cash assistance from welfare or public assistance)

[Total =76, <100%, 100-200%, 200%+ =too few respondents to report on]

62. If you could change one thing about the current welfare system, what would it be?

	Total
Any of these (NET)	71
Help move people into education/help more people go to school	11
Help the homeless more	1
Provide day care/help out with day care	6
Provide job training	6
Help Americans before helping other countries	*
Provide for the people who really need it	6
Help the people who are really trying to make something of themselves by providing them with whatever is holding them back	3
People who aren't willing to work should not receive welfare	9
Put more investigators on each case since more people need help	2
Women should be required to be on birth control	2
They shouldn't harass people to get a job if they're unable to work	3
Recipients that are blind should receive their	2

information/letters on tape	
Provide more money/benefits for those people who really need help	12
Other	14
Nothing	10
Don't know	19

(Results for total respondents)

63. Do you feel the government will help you if you fall on bad times, or do you think you'll have only yourself to rely on?

	Government will help	Have to rely on self	Don't know
Total	29	65	6
<100%	36	59	4
100-200%	30	62	7
200%+	28	67	6

(Results for total respondents)

64. If you were asked to use one of these five names for the economic class you belong to, which would you say you belong in? Would you belong in ...?

	Upper class	Upper middle class	Middle class	Working class	Lower class	Don't know
Total	2	12	40	36	9	1
<100%	*	2	26	32	40	*
100-200%	1	2	30	51	14	2
200%+	2	16	45	33	4	1

(Results for total respondents)

65a. Of all the people who are on welfare in this country, are more of them black or are more of them white?

	More are black	More are white	Equal	Don't know
Total	36	28	NA	36
<100%	37	26	NA	37
100-200%	35	22	NA	43
200%+	36	30	NA	44

(Results for total respondents)

D01. Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you currently registered to vote at your present address?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Total	78	21	*
<100%	67	33	--
100-200%	68	32	*
200%+	82	18	*

(Results for respondents who are registered voters)

[Total =1490, <100% =186, 100-200%=430, 200%+ =874]

66. Did you vote in the election on November 7th, or did things come up that prevented you from voting?

	Voted	Did not vote	Don't know
Total	87	13	*
<100%	78	22	*
100-200%	84	16	--
200%+	88	12	*

(Results for respondents who voted in the election on November 7th)

[Total =1286, <100% =143, 100-200%=358, 200%+ =785]

67. Did you vote for Al Gore, George W. Bush, or someone else?

	Al Gore	George W. Bush	Someone else	Don't know
Total	47	47	4	2
<100%	55	33	9	3
100-200%	50	42	5	3
200%+	45	49	4	2

(Results for total respondents)

D02. In politics today, do you consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Something else	Don't Know
Total	28	33	25	11	3
<100%	23	41	22	8	5
100-200%	24	36	26	11	3
200%+	30	32	25	11	3

(Results respondents who are Independent)

[Total =450, <100% =66, 100-200%=136, 200%+ =248]

D02c. Do you consider yourself closer to the Republican Party or the Democratic Party?

	Republican Party	Democratic Party	Neither	Don't Know
Total	34	41	19	6
<100%	33	41	19	6
100-200%	36	40	17	7
200%+	34	41	19	6

Leaned Party Table

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Something else	Don't Know
Total	36	43	6	11	3
<100%	31	50	6	8	5
100-200%	33	46	7	11	3
200%+	38	42	6	11	3

(Results for total respondents)

D03. Would you say your views in most political matters are liberal, moderate, conservative, something else, or haven't you given this much thought?

	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	Something else	Haven't give this much thought	Don't Know
Total	18	27	22	2	29	2
<100%	18	19	12	3	44	4
100-200%	15	20	19	3	42	1
200%+	19	30	24	2	24	1

(Results for total respondents)

D06. Are you currently married, living with a partner, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never married?

	Currently married	Living w/ a partner	Widowed	Divorced	Separated	Never married	Don't Know
Total	49	6	9	12	2	20	*
<100%	32	11	17	14	4	22	*
100-200%	43	9	15	10	3	20	--
200%+	53	5	7	13	2	20	1

(Results for total respondents)

D07. Including yourself, how many adults, 18 or older, are there living in your household?

	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven+
Total	30	53	12	4	1	*	*
<100%	37	43	11	6	3	1	*
100-200%	26	51	14	7	1	*	*
200%+	30	55	12	4	1	--	--

(Results for total respondents)

D08A. What is your religious preference? Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, some other religion, or no religion?

	Protestant	Roman Catholic	Jewish	Some other religion	No religion	Don't Know
Total	43	28	2	17	10	1
<100%	36	31	1	22	9	1
100-200%	40	29	1	20	9	--
200%+	45	27	2	16	10	1

(Results for respondents who are some other religion)

[Total =364, <100% =70, 100-200%=134, 200%+ =160]

D08B. Do you consider yourself a Christian?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Total	83	17	1
<100%	85	15	--
100-200%	83	15	1
200%+	82	17	1

(Results for respondents who are Christians/Protestants)

[Total =1092, <100% =150, 100-200%=351, 200%+ =591]

D08C. Would you consider yourself as a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Total	56	39	4
<100%	68	29	3
100-200%	63	31	6
200%+	53	43	4

D08A/D08B Summary Table

-----Protestant/Other Christian-----								
	NET	Protestant	Other Christian	Roman Catholic	Jewish	Some other religion	No religion	Don't Know
Total	57	43	14	28	2	3	10	1
<100%	55	36	18	31	1	3	9	1
100-200%	57	40	17	29	1	3	9	--
200%+	58	45	13	27	2	3	10	1

D08A/D08B/D08C Summary Table

	Born again Protestants/Some other religion/Christian	Protestant not born again	Roman Catholic	Jewish	Some other/not Christian	Other Christian/not born again	No religion	Don't Know
Total	32	19	28	2	3	6	10	1
<100%	37	13	31	1	3	5	9	1
100-200%	35	14	29	1	3	7	9	--
200%+	30	21	27	2	3	6	10	1

(Results for total respondents)

D09. What is the last grade or class that you completed in school?

(DO NOT READ)

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
High school graduate or less (NET)	49	74	70	41
Less than high school graduate (SUBNET)	17	41	33	10
None, or grade 1-8	5	15	10	3
High school incomplete	12	26	23	8
High school graduate + (SUBNET)	32	33	37	31
High school graduate	28	32	33	27
Business, technical/vocational school	4	1	4	5
Some college or more (NET)	51	26	29	58
Some college, no 4 year degree	27	18	21	30
College graduate + (SUBNET)	23	8	8	29
College graduate	16	6	6	19
Post-graduate training	8	2	2	10
Don't Know	*	--	*	*

(Results for total respondents)

D10. What is your age?

	18-29	30-49	50-64	65+
Total	23	40	20	17
<100%	30	33	19	18
100-200%	26	33	14	27
200%+	21	43	22	14

(Results for total respondents)

D11. Are you, yourself, of Hispanic or Latino background, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or other Latin American background?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Total	12	87	*
<100%	25	75	--
100-200%	23	77	*
200%+	8	91	*

(Results for total respondents)

D12. Do you consider yourself to be white, black or African-American, Asian-American, or some other race?

	White	Black/African-American	Asian-American	Some other race	Don't Know
Total	78	12	2	7	1
<100%	62	23	1	13	2
100-200%	69	15	2	12	2
200%+	82	9	2	6	*

Race Summary Table

-----Non-Hispanic-----					-----Hispanic-----				
	White	Black/African-American	Asian-American	Some other race	NET	White	Black	Unspecified	Don't Know
Total	73	10	2	2	12	5	1	6	1
<100%	51	18	1	3	25	10	4	11	2
100-200%	60	12	2	3	23	8	4	11	1
200%+	78	9	2	2	8	4	1	4	*

D14/14a/14b. Is your total annual household income from all sources, and before taxes:

	Total	<100%	100-200%	200%+
Less than \$40K (NET)	51	100	96	34
Less than \$20K	20	89	52	3
\$20K but less than \$30K	18	9	32	15
\$30K but less than \$40K	12	1	10	14
Less than \$40K (unspecified)	2	2	1	2
\$40K+ (NET)	46	--	4	63
\$40K but less than \$50K	12	--	4	15
\$50K but less than \$75K	17	--	--	23
\$75K+	16	--	--	21
\$40K+ (unspecified)	3	--	*	3
Don't Know	2	--	--	3

(Results for total respondents)

D17. May a reporter from National Public Radio call you to talk about some of the things we've been discussing?

	Yes	No	Don't Know
Total	60	40	*
<100%	73	27	*
100-200%	72	27	*
200%+	55	44	*

(Results for total respondents)

D18. Gender

	Male	Female
Total	48	52
<100%	38	62
100-200%	43	57
200%+	50	50

(Results for total respondents)

D19. Region

	Northeast	North Central	South	West
Total	20	22	35	23
<100%	19	19	39	23
100-200%	19	20	37	24
200%+	20	23	34	23

(Results for total respondents)

D20. Metro Status

	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Total	37	40	23
<100%	44	26	30
100-200%	38	34	29
200%+	36	44	21



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