



# **Mobilization, Change, and Political and Civic Engagement**

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**[DISPLAY]**

Thank you for taking part in this important study, sponsored by the University of Chicago. [IF XNEW=1: Just before the November 2008 election, you completed a first survey as part of this project and the current survey is a follow-up to that one. We appreciate your participation in the earlier survey and the one that follows.] Your input is crucial to the success of this project, and your answers will help researchers better understand people’s opinions about political issues and current events. Thank you again for your participation.

**[SP]**

1. In the past presidential election, were you eligible to vote?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[IF Q1=2]**

**[LARGE TEXT BOX]**

1.1 Why not?

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**[IF Q1=1]**

**[SP]**

2. Were you registered to vote in the past election?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[IF Q2=1]**

**[SP]**

2.1. Did you vote in the election?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[IF Q2.1=1]**

**[SP]**

2.2 Who did you vote for?

- Barack Obama ..... 1
- John McCain ..... 2
- Someone else: (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

[IF Q2.1=1]

[SP]

3. Was this the first time you voted?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[IF Q2.1=1]

[SP]

4. Did you encounter any problems while trying to vote?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[IF Q4.1=1]

[MP]

4.1 What kinds of issues did you encounter? Check all that apply.

- Officials could not find my name on the list
- Difficulty operating the voting machine
- Could not figure out at what location I was supposed to vote
- Lines were very long at the place where I vote
- Needed assistance
- Other: (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

[DISPLAY]

Now I want to ask you some questions about your activities **since the election.**

[SP]

5. Have you gone to any political meetings, rallies, speeches, dinners or things like that in support of a particular candidate, political party, or elected official?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

6. Since the election have you given money to or helped raise money for a candidate, political party, political cause or elected official?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

7. Have you volunteered on a political campaign, political party, or for a political cause or elected official?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

8. Thinking about other political activities, tell me if you have done any of the following **since the election**. Have you...

...contacted or visited a public official or agency?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

9. ... attended a meeting of a local government board or council?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

10. ... signed a paper petition?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

11. ...written and sent an article or letter through the mail or phoned the editor of a newspaper, magazine, or a television station about a political issue, candidate, political party or elected official?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

12. Since the election have you called in to a radio or television talk show to express your opinion on a political issue, candidate, political party or elected official, even if you did not get on the air?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

13. ...taken part in a protest, political rally, demonstration or sit-in?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

14. Have you engaged in **buycotting**, that is buying a certain product or service because you like the social or political values of the company that produces or sells the product?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

15. Have you been active in or joined a political group, party, organization or club?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

16. Since the election, have you written or forwarded an email, signed an e-mail petition, or posted a comment to a blog about a political issue, candidate, elected official or political party?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

17. ... written a **blog** about a political issue, candidate, elected official or political party?

DEFINITION: A blog is a personal journal published on the web. It is a public web site updated frequently where users post informal journals of their thoughts, comments, and philosophies.

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

18. Have you e-mailed the editor of a newspaper, a television station, magazine, or website manager about a political issue, candidate, political party or elected official?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

19. Have you talked with family or friends about a political issue, political party, candidate or elected official?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

20. Since the election, have you worked with the people in your neighborhood on a political issue or problem?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[DISPLAY]

Now we want to ask you about your participation in community, local and social organizations that do not have an explicitly political focus.

[SP]

21. Since the election, have you worked with the people in your community or neighborhood on any issue or problem?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

22. Have you engaged in organized volunteer or community service work—that is, worked with others for no pay—such as through your children’s school, your church or neighborhood?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[SP]

23. Since the election, has anyone contacted you to ask for your involvement in some community or neighborhood activity?

Yes ..... 1  
No ..... 2

[IF Q23=1]

[NUMBER BOX RANGE 0-999999]

23.1 How many organized groups do you belong to?

NUMBER OF GROUPS: \_\_\_\_\_

[IF Q23=1]

[NUMBER BOX RANGE 0-999999]

23.2. In how many groups are you an active member—that is, since the election in how many groups have you served on a committee, given time for special projects, regularly attended or helped organize meetings, or taken on other duties?

NUMBER OF GROUPS: \_\_\_\_\_

**[QUESTION 26: NON-WHITE RESPONDENTS ONLY]**

[IF xPPRACEM=7]

[MP]

**Q14\_R.** Please check one or more categories below to indicate what **race(s)** you consider yourself to be.

- 1 White
- 2 Black or African American
- 3 American Indian or Alaska Native – *Type in name of enrolled or principal tribe.*  
[text box]

[SPACE]

- 4 Asian Indian
- 5 Chinese
- 6 Filipino
- 7 Japanese
- 8 Korean
- 9 Vietnamese
- 10 Other Asian – *Type in race*  
[text box]

[SPACE]

- 11 Native Hawaiian
- 12 Guamanian or Chamorro
- 13 Samoan
- 14 Other Pacific Islander – *Type in race*  
[text box]

[SPACE]

- 15 Some other race – *Type in race*  
[text box]

**[IF NO RESPONSE TO Q14\_R, PROMPT UP TO 2 TIMES]**

Information about your racial background is very important to us. We greatly appreciate your response and will keep it strictly confidential.

**[REPEAT Q14\_R]**

**[Insert the following text for xPPRACEM:**

- 1 White
- 2 Black
- 3 American Indian or Alaska Native
- 4 Asian
- 5 Native Hawaiian or Pacific Islander

6 mixed race

[IF xPPRACEM=7, INSERTS ARE BASED ON Q14\_R:

Q14\_R=2 xPPRACEM=2

Q14\_R=3 xPPRACEM=3

Q14\_R=4 THRU 9 xPPRACEM=4

Q14\_R=10 THRU 14 xPPRACEM=5

Q14\_R HAS MORE THAN 1 SELECTION xPPRACEM=6]

[If PPETHM=4, then the insert for xPPRACEM should be "Hispanic/Latino"]

[IF xPPRACEM NE 1 AND (Q14\_R IS NOT SKIPPED AND NE 1) OR PPETHM=4]

[SP]

24. Are you a member of any organization working to improve the status of [xPPRACEM] Americans?

Yes ..... 1

No ..... 2

[DISPLAY]

Now we want to ask you a few questions about where you get your information about politics and if you have been contacted since the election and asked to be active in politics.

[MP]

26. Where do you get your information about politics? Check all that apply.

- Newspapers ..... 1
- Magazine..... 2
- Television ..... 3
- Mail..... 4
- Internet ..... 5
- E-mail..... 6
- Text message..... 7
- Radio..... 8
- Campaigns, candidates, or political parties..... 9
- Friends and family ..... 10
- Groups I belong to ..... 11
- Place of worship ..... 12

[SP]

26.1 Of those sources of information you checked, which one do you trust the most?

[ONLY DISPLAY OPTIONS CHECKED IN Q28 PLUS OPTION 11 "DON'T TRUST ANY INFORMATION"]

Newspapers .....	1
Magazine.....	2
Television .....	3
Mail.....	4
Internet .....	5
E-mail .....	6
Text message.....	7
Radio.....	8
Campaigns, candidates, or political parties.....	9
Friends and family .....	10
Groups I belong to .....	11
Place of worship .....	12
Don't trust any information.....	13

[SP]

26.2 Is that trusted information source in English, Spanish or another language?

English .....	1
Spanish .....	2
Other language (SPECIFY)_____	
Multiple languages (SPECIFY)_____	

[SP]

27. How much of your information about politics do you receive from [xPPRACEM] [IF xPPRACEM = 4 SHOW: American] media?

A great deal.....	1
A lot.....	2
Some.....	3
Very little .....	4
None.....	5

[SP]

29. Since the election, have you been invited to join a political group or support a political cause on social networking sites such as Facebook, MySpace, or Twitter?

Yes.....	1
No .....	2

**[SP]**

30. Have you used Internet sites such as YouTube or other websites to follow what President Obama and his administration are doing?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[SP]**

31. Have you been contacted by the group, Organizing for America?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[SP]**

32. Since the election, in general, how much attention do you pay to news about politics?

- A great deal ..... 1
- A lot ..... 2
- Some... ..... 3
- Very little ..... 4
- None..... 5

**[SP]**

33. Since the election, have any of the groups or places of worship of which you are a member made announcements about, discussed, or encouraged members to participate in political issues or campaigns?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[MP]**

34. Please tell us if any of the types of organizations or individuals listed have tried to involve you in some political activity since the election. Check all that apply.

- Social or recreational group (such as softball team or fraternity/sorority)
- Labor union
- Political party
- Political campaign or candidate
- Veteran’s organization (such as the American Legion)
- Organization promoting the interests of women
- Organization promoting the interests of your racial/ethnic group
- Youth group

**[MP]**

34B Again, please tell us if any of the types of organizations or individuals listed have tried to involve you in some political activity since the election. Check all that apply.

- Professional organization
- Place of worship
- Groups working in your neighborhood to improve your community
- People in your neighborhood
- People at your job
- People at your children's school
- People at the school you attend
- Other: (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

**[IF AT LEAST 1 ITEM CHECKED IN Q35]**

**[MP]**

34.1 Did any of the groups or individuals that you list as trying to get you involved in politics since the election contact you by mail, door flier, automated phone call, telephone call by a real person, e-mail, in-person contact, or text message? Please check all that apply.

- Mail
- Door flier
- Automated telephone call
- Telephone call by a real person
- E-mail
- In-person contact
- Text message

**[SP]**

We are also interested in the different sources of information people have access to. In the last month have you...

35. ...read a[if xPPRACEM=4 insert "n"] [xPPRACEM] [IF xPPRACEM = 4 SHOW: American] newspaper or magazine?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[SP]**

36. ...listened to a[if xPPRACEM=4 insert "n"] [xPPRACEM] [IF xPPRACEM = 4 SHOW: American] news program on the radio?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

[SP]

37. ...watched a[if xPPRACEM=4 insert "n"] [xPPRACEM] [IF xPPRACEM = 4 SHOW: American] TV program?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

[SP]

38. ...visited a[if xPPRACEM=4 insert "n"] [xPPRACEM] [IF xPPRACEM = 4 SHOW: American] website or blog?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

[SP]

39. On average, how often do you listen to rap music?

- Every day ..... 1
- Several days a week ..... 2
- Once a week ..... 3
- Once or twice a month..... 4
- Rarely ..... 5
- Never..... 6

[DISPLAY]

Okay, now we want to talk a bit about your role in politics. Please indicate whether you strongly agree, agree, disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statements. Everyone should answer these questions regardless of your formal citizenship status.

[GRIDS; SP]

- 40. I believe that by participating in politics I can make a difference. Would you say you...
- 41. I have the skills and knowledge necessary to participate in politics. Do you...
- 42. The leaders in government care very little about people like me. Do you...
- 43. The government is pretty much run by a few big interests looking out for themselves and their friends. Would you say you...

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

44. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do the right thing?

- Almost always ..... 1
- Frequently ..... 2
- About half the time..... 3
- Once in a while ..... 4
- Almost never ..... 5

**[GRIDS; SP]**

How much do you agree or disagree with the following statements about the government and American society:

- 45. In the United States, everyone has an equal chance to succeed.
- 46. Generally the American legal system treats all groups equally.
- 47. In the American economic system, everyone has a fair chance.
- 48. I believe in the fundamentals of our political system like the Constitution.

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

Again, whatever your formal citizenship status, please answer the following questions.

49. Generally, I feel like a full and equal citizen in this country with all the rights and protections that other people have. Do you...

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

50. Do you agree with the statement that in the United States each person's vote is counted and valued equally?

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

51. Do you agree with the statement that the government treats most immigrants better than it treats most Black people born in this country?

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

52. Do you agree that in the U.S. poor people are treated as second-class citizens?

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

53. Do you think the federal government should or should not apologize to African Americans for the slavery that once existed in this country?

- Should ..... 1
- Should not ..... 2

**[SP]**

54. Do you think the federal government should or should not apologize to Asian Americans for the internment camps that existed in this country during World War II?

- Should ..... 1
- Should not ..... 2

**[SP]**

55. Much of the discussion of the past election centered on the issue of change. Many people believe a substantial change in our country is needed to solve the problems facing the country.

How much change do you believe is needed in our country today?

- Need big change ..... 1
- Need some change ..... 2
- Need very little change ..... 3
- No change ..... 4

**[SP]**

56. What is the MOST important thing to focus on to produce the change we need in our country?

Moral values

Politicians

Average citizens

The role of religion

The Courts

People in our neighborhoods

Community organizing

Economic system

Young people

Other: (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

**[SP]**

56.1 What is the SECOND most important thing to focus on to produce the change we need in our country?

**[RESPONSE OPTIONS SAME AS Q59 MINUS SELECTION IN Q59, ALWAYS INLCUDE "OTHER"]**

**[SP]**

56.2 What is the THIRD most important thing to focus on to produce the change we need in our country?

**[RESPONSE OPTIONS SAME AS Q59 MINUS SELECTIONS IN Q59 AND Q59.1, ALWAYS INLCUDE "OTHER"]**

**[SP]**

57. How effective do you feel the efforts of a single individual such as yourself can be in producing real change in the country?

- Very effective..... 1
- Effective ..... 2
- Somewhat effective ..... 3
- Not very effective..... 4
- Not effective at all ..... 5

**[SP]**

58. How effective do you feel the efforts of organizations and groups working in communities can be in producing real change in the country?

- Very effective..... 1
- Effective ..... 2
- Somewhat effective ..... 3
- Not very effective..... 4
- Not effective at all ..... 5

[SP]

59. How effective do you feel elections are in producing real change in the country?

- Very effective..... 1
- Effective ..... 2
- Somewhat effective ..... 3
- Not very effective..... 4
- Not effective at all ..... 5

[SP]

**NEW1.** How much change do you believe has occurred in the country since Obama took office?

- Big change ..... 1
- Some change ..... 2
- Very little change ..... 3
- No change ..... 4

[SP]

66. Did you mail your Census form back to the Census Bureau in 2000?

DEFINITION: The Census happens every ten years when the federal government tries to count every resident in the country.

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

[IF Q66=1]

[MP]

66.1 What were the reasons you mailed in your census form? Please check all that apply.

- I did it without thinking about why.
- I feel obliged to fulfill these requests from the government.
- I know that the results affect the way voting districts are drawn.
- I want my ethnic/linguistic/religious/other group to be recognized by the government.
- I want to be counted so that my district will receive adequate funding for public services.
- Other: (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

[IF Q66.1=2]

[MP]

66.2 What were the reasons you did not mail in your census form? Please check all that apply.

I forgot to return it.

I misplaced the form.

I didn't receive the form.

It took too long to complete.

I didn't understand the questions.

I don't think the Census makes a difference.

I don't like to give information to the government.

I think the Census is misused by the government.

Other: (SPECIFY) \_\_\_\_\_

[RANDOMIZE QUESTIONS 69 AND 70;

xOrderQ69, 1=show Q69 first then Q70

2=show Q70 first then Q69]

[TREAT QUESTIONS 69 AND 70 AS BLOCK A; TREAT QUESTIONS 71.1, 71.2, 71.3 AS BLOCK B;

RANDOMIZE BLOCK A AND BLOCK B;

xOrderA, 1=show Q69 & Q70 (Block A) first then Q71 (Block B),

2=show Q71 (Block B) first then Q69 & Q70 (Block A)]

[SP]

67. Some people say that the election of Barack Obama as president of the United States suggests that racism no longer exists in American society and politics. Would you say that...

Racism remains a major problem in our society ..... 1

Racism exists today but is not a major problem ..... 2

Racism once existed but no longer exists in our society ..... 3

Racism has never been a major problem in our society ..... 4

[SP]

68. Some people say that Hillary Clinton's candidacy in the Democratic primaries and Sarah Palin's Republican nomination for vice-president of the United States suggests that sexism no longer exists in American society and politics. Would you say that...

Sexism remains a major problem in our society ..... 1

Sexism exists today but it is not a major problem ..... 2

Sexism once existed but no longer exists in our society ..... 3

Sexism has never been a major problem in our society ..... 4

**[GRIDS; SP]**

69. Please tell us what you think about racial equality in the U.S.:

**[RANDOMIZE QUESTIONS 71.1, 71.2, 71.3;**

**Use variables xOrder711, xOrder712, xOrder713]**

69.1 Do you think Blacks:

69.2 Do you think Hispanics/Latinos:

69.3 Do you think Asians:

Have achieved racial equality ..... 1

Will soon achieve racial equality ..... 2

Will not achieve racial equality in your lifetime ..... 3

Will never achieve racial equality ..... 4

**[SP]**

70. As you may know, Hispanics/Latinos, Blacks, Asians, and other minorities are expected to make up more than half the U.S. population by the middle of this century. Do you think this increase in minority populations...

Strengthens the country..... 1

Weakens the country ..... 2

Doesn't make much difference ..... 3

**[SP]**

71. To be truly American, how important do you think it is to be able to speak English?

Very important ..... 1

Important ..... 2

Somewhat important..... 3

Not very important ..... 4

Not important at all ..... 5

**[SP]**

72. Laws should be passed making English the official language of the United States.

Strongly agree ..... 1

Agree..... 2

Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3

Disagree ..... 4

Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

75. The problems facing whites, Blacks, Hispanics/Latinos, and Asians in the U.S. are too different for them to be political allies or partners. Do you...

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

76. Please tell us if you think the problems facing the following racial minority groups in the U.S. are too different for them to be political allies or partners:

- 76.1 Blacks and Hispanics/Latinos
- 76.2 Blacks and Asians
- 76.3 Asians and Hispanics/Latinos

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

**[SP]**

77. Are you or have you ever been part of a multiracial coalition, meaning have you participated in a group that included individuals from different ethnic and racial groups?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[IF Q77=1]**

**[TEXT]**

77.1. What different racial or ethnic groups were represented in the group?

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**[GRIDS; SP]**

Please tell us about your interactions with different racial groups:

- 78.1 At work or school, do you interact with...
- 78.2 During social activities, including time with friends, do you interact with...
- 78.3 While participating in groups and organizations, do you interact with...

Mostly Whites .....	1
Mostly Blacks .....	2
Mostly Hispanics/Latinos .....	3
Mostly Asians .....	4
Mixed (SPECIFY) .....	5

**[SP]**

79.1 Do you think what happens generally to [xPPRACEM] people in this country will have something to do with what happens in your life?

Yes .....	1
No .....	2

**[SP]**

79.2 Will it affect you:

A lot .....	1
Some .....	2
Not very much .....	3

**[SP]**

80.1 Do you think that what happens generally to racial minorities in this country will have something to do with what happens in your life?

Yes .....	1
No .....	2

**[SP]**

80.2 Will it affect you:

A lot .....	1
Some .....	2
Not very much .....	3

**[SP]**

81.1 Do you think what happens generally to women in this country will have something to do with what happens in your life?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[SP]**

81.2 Will it affect you:

- A lot ..... 1
- Some ..... 2
- Not very much ..... 3

**[SP]**

82. Please tell us how much you agree or disagree with the following statements about immigrants:

Immigrants, especially immigrants from Latin America, Asia, and Africa, take jobs, housing, and healthcare away from people who were born in the United States.

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree ..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree ..... 5

**[SP]**

83. Immigrants who come to the U.S. should be eligible for government services such as Medicaid, Food Stamps, and welfare before they become citizens.

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree ..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree ..... 5

[SP]

84. Election ballots should be printed in languages other than English in areas where a lot of people don't speak English.

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

[NUMBER BOX; RANGE 0-100]

85. What percentage of immigrants in the U.S. do you believe are here illegally?

PERCENTAGE (0-100): \_\_\_\_\_

86. Especially in a post-9/11 world, **racial profiling** helps to keep our country safe from terrorists.

DEFINITION: Racial profiling is when law enforcement and other authorities target racial and ethnic minorities in the belief that they are more likely to commit certain crimes.

- Strongly agree ..... 1
- Agree..... 2
- Neither agree nor disagree ..... 3
- Disagree ..... 4
- Strongly disagree..... 5

[SP]

87. Which statement comes closest to your own views:

- Same-sex couples should be allowed to legally marry ..... 1
- Same-sex couples should be allowed to legally form civil unions but not marry ..... 2
- Same-sex couples should not be allowed to marry or form civil unions..... 3

**[FEELING THERMOMETERS; RANGE 0-100, INCLUDE "DON'T KNOW" SP OPTION]**

Now we would like to get your feelings toward political candidates and other leaders. Please rate the following people on a scale from 0 to 100. Ratings between 50 and 100 mean that you feel favorable and warm toward that person. Ratings between 0 and 50 mean that you feel cool or don't care much for that person. A 50 degree rating means you are in the middle. You may use any number between 0 and 100.

**[RANDOMIZE use variables xOrderQ88 to xOrderQ92; display one name per screen]**

- 88. Hillary Clinton
- 89. Barack Obama
- 90. Michelle Obama
- 91. Sarah Palin
- 92. the police

**[SP]**

93. Do you think more police presence is needed in your neighborhood?

- Yes.....1
- No.....2

**[SP]**

94. Do you trust the police?

- Yes..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[SP]**

95. Do you believe that the police in your neighborhood are there to protect you?

- Yes..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[SP]**

96. Have you or anyone you know experienced harassment or violence at the hands of the police?

- Yes..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[SP]**

97. Have you ever been arrested?

- Yes..... 1
- No ..... 2

[SP]

98. Have you ever been convicted of a crime?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

[SP]

99 Have you ever been incarcerated—spent time in jail or prison?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

[IF Q99=1]

[SP]

99.1 For how long were you incarcerated?

**[QUESTIONS 98, 98.1, 98.2, 99, 100: BLACK NON-HISPANIC RESPONDENTS ONLY, I.E. PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM = 2]**

**[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=2]**

[SP]

100. Do you think Blacks should form their own political party?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- Don't know..... 3

[SP]

**[IF Q100=1]**

100.1 How strongly do you feel that blacks should form their own political party?

- Very strongly ..... 1
- Fairly strongly ..... 2
- Not too strongly ..... 3
- Not at all strongly..... 4
- Don't know..... 5

[SP]  
[IF Q100=2]

100.2 How strongly do you feel that blacks should not form their own political party?

- Very strongly ..... 1
- Fairly strongly ..... 2
- Not too strongly ..... 3
- Not at all strongly ..... 4
- Don't know ..... 5

[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=2]  
[SP]

101. Please tell me which choice is most true for you:

- Blacks form an ethnic group like Irish-Americans, Chinese-Americans, and other former immigrant groups ..... 1
- Black people form a nation within a nation ..... 2

[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=2]  
[SP]

**NEW2.** Given the diversity of backgrounds among Blacks born in the U.S. and Blacks born outside of the U.S., do you feel that Blacks make up a distinctive racial group in the United States?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=2]  
[SP]

102. Which comes closer to your views? In the United States today, Black people born in this country and Black immigrants...

- Are working together to achieve common political goals ..... 1
- Are not working together politically ..... 2

**[QUESTIONS 103, 104, 105: HISPANIC/LATINO RESPONDENTS ONLY]**

[IF PPETHM=4]  
[SP]

103. Given the diversity of backgrounds, do you feel that Hispanics/Latinos make up a distinctive racial group in the United States?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[IF PPETHM=4]**

**[SP]**

104. Some people say that people of Hispanic or Latin descent have a great deal in common culturally, others disagree. Do you think groups of Hispanics/Latinos in the U.S. are culturally...

- Very similar..... 1
- Similar ..... 2
- Different..... 3
- Very different..... 4

**[IF PPETHM=4]**

**[SP]**

105. Which comes closer to your views? In the U.S. today, Hispanics/Latinos from different countries and ethnic backgrounds...

- Are working together to achieve common political goals..... 1
- Are not working together politically ..... 2

**[QUESTIONS 106, 107, 108: ASIAN NON-HISPANIC RESPONDENTS ONLY, I.E. PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM = 4]**

**[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=4]**

**[SP]**

106. Given the diversity of backgrounds, do you feel that Asians make up a distinctive racial group in the United States?

- Yes..... 1
- No ..... 2

**[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=4]**

**[SP]**

107. Some people say that people of Asian descent have a great deal in common culturally, others disagree. Do you think groups of Asians in the U.S. are culturally...

- Very similar..... 1
- Similar ..... 2
- Different..... 3
- Very different..... 4

**[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=4]**

**[SP]**

108. Which comes closer to your views? In the U.S. today, Asians from different countries and ethnic backgrounds...

- Are working together to achieve common political goals..... 1
- Are not working together politically ..... 2

**[IF XLANG=6 OR PPETHM=4]**

**[SP]**

Lang: What language do you usually speak at home?

- 1) Only Spanish
- 2) More Spanish than English
- 3) Both Spanish and English equally
- 4) More English than Spanish
- 5) Only English

**[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=4]**

**[SP]**

Lang2: What language do you usually speak at home?

- 1) English
- 2) Vietnamese
- 3) Korean
- 4) Mandarin
- 5) Cantonese
- 6) Tagalog
- 7) Japanese
- 8) Hindi
- 9) Other (please specify)
- 10) Multiple languages (please specify)

**[IF PPETHM NE 4 AND xPPRACEM=4]**

**[SP]**

Lang3: Would you say you speak English:

- 1) Very well
- 2) Well
- 3) A little
- 4) Very little
- 5) Not at all