Vanderbilt University Poll
December 2012

Target N = 1,000 Tennessee adults 18+
    N = 600 landline RDD
    N = 400 cell phone RDD
Field Dates: November 27 - December 6, 2012
Interview language: English only

LANDLINE INTRODUCTION:
Hello, my name is ________ and I'm calling for Vanderbilt University. We’re conducting a survey of Tennessee residents about their opinions and thoughts about topics like the economy, and important decisions that are being made in our state. We would like to include your household. Your phone number has been randomly selected to complete the survey. We are not selling anything.

LANDLINE SCREENING INTERVIEW:
S1. May I please speak with the adult, age 18 or older, who had the most recent birthday AND is currently at home?
   1 Continue with current respondent [GO TO R1]
   2 New respondent being brought to phone [SKIP TO R2]
   9 Refused [THANK AND TERMINATE]

S1 TERMINATION TEXT: Thank you very much for your time. Have a good (day/evening). [TERMINATE]

R1. This survey is anonymous and your participation is voluntary. It takes about 15 minutes to complete the survey. Are you willing to answer the questions?
   1 Yes [GO TO MAIN SCREENING INTERVIEW]
   2 No [THANK AND TERMINATE]

R1 TERMINATION TEXT: Thank you very much for your time. Have a good (day/evening). [TERMINATE]

R2. Hello, my name is ________ and I'm calling for Vanderbilt University. We’re conducting a survey of Tennessee residents about their opinions and thoughts about topics like the economy, and important decisions that are being made in our state. We would like to include your household. Your phone number has been randomly selected to complete the survey. We are not selling anything. This survey is anonymous and your participation is voluntary. It takes about 15 minutes to complete the survey. Are you willing to answer the questions?
   1 Yes [GO TO MAIN SCREENING INTERVIEW]
   2 No [THANK AND TERMINATE]

R2 TERMINATION TEXT: Thank you very much for your time. Have a good (day/evening). [TERMINATE]
CELL PHONE INTRO:
Hello, my name is ________ and I'm calling for Vanderbilt University. We’re conducting a survey of cell phone users. I know I am calling you on a cell phone. This is not a sales call.

[IF R SAYS DRIVING/UNABLE TO TAKE CALL: Thank you. We will try you another time...]

VOICEMAIL MESSAGE [LEAVE ONLY ONCE -- THE FIRST TIME A CALL GOES TO VOICEMAIL]: I am calling for Vanderbilt University. We are conducting a short survey of cell phone users. This is NOT a sales call. We will try to reach you again.

S2. Are you under 18 years old, OR are you 18 or older?

1   Under 18   [THANK AND TERMINATE]
2   18 or older [GO TO MAIN SCREENING INTERVIEW]
9   Don’t know/Refused  [THANK AND TERMINATE]

S2 TERMINATION TEXT: This survey is limited to adults age 18 and over. I won’t take any more of your time. Have a good (day/evening).

READ TO ALL CELL PHONE RESPONDENTS
CELL INTRODUCTION TO MAIN SCREENING INTERVIEW: We’re interested in learning more about people with cell phones. If you are now driving a car or doing any activity requiring your full attention, I need to call you back later.

INTERVIEWER: IF R SAYS IT IS NOT A GOOD TIME, TRY TO ARRANGE A TIME TO CALL BACK. OFFER THE TOLL-FREE CALL-IN NUMBER THEY CAN USE TO COMPLETE THE SURVEY BEFORE ENDING THE CONVERSATION.
MAIN SCREENING INTERVIEW (LANLINE AND CELL)

To begin, I need to ask you a few questions to make sure that you qualify for the survey.

RSTATE  Do you currently live in Tennessee?
1  Yes  [THANK AND TERMINATE. RECORD AS ‘NOT A TN RESIDENT’]
2  No  [THANK AND TERMINATE. RECORD AS SCREENING REFUSAL]
9  Don’t know/Refused  [THANK AND TERMINATE. RECORD AS SCREENING REFUSAL]

RSTATE TERMINATION TEXT: Thank you very much for your time. We are only talking to those who currently live in Tennessee. Have a good (day/evening). [TERMINATE]

RCOUNTY  And in what county do you live?

READ IF NECESSARY: This question helps us to accurately determine what part of the state people who complete the survey live in and is used only for classification purposes. You cannot be contacted based on this information.

___  [RECORD 2-DIGIT COUNTY CODE; CONFIRM AGAINST LIST OF ALL TENNESSEE COUNTIES]
97  County out of range/Not on county list [THANK AND TERMINATE. RECORD AS INELIGIBLE]
99  Don’t know/Refused [THANK AND TERMINATE. RECORD AS SCREENING REFUSAL]

RCOUNTY TERMINATION TEXT: Thank you very much for your time. [IF COUNTY OUT OF RANGE (RCOUNTY=97) OR QUOTA FULL, READ: We have already obtained all the interviews that we need at this time with residents in your county.] Have a good (day/evening). [TERMINATE]

PROGRAMMER NOTE: CHECK COUNTY TO ASSIGN REGION CODE
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**MAIN INTERVIEW**

SEX. Record Respondent’s sex **(DO NOT ASK)**

1  Male  
2  Female

(Q1a-Q1f were randomly ordered.)

Q1. I’d like your views on some government organizations and elected officials. As I read each name, please tell me if you approve or disapprove of how each is handling their job. First, do you approve or disapprove of?

   a. The job Barack Obama is doing as President  
   b. The job the U.S. Congress is doing  
   c. The job the Tennessee State Legislature is doing  
   d. The job Bill Haslam is doing as Governor  
   e. The job Lamar Alexander is doing as U.S. Senator  
   f. The job Bob Corker is doing as U.S. Senator

1  Approve  
2  Disapprove  
3  Need to wait and see/Too early to tell (v)  
8  Don’t know (v)  
9  Refused (v)

(Q2a-Q2d were randomly ordered.)

Q2. We hear a lot of talk these days about liberals and conservatives. On a five-point scale that goes from very liberal to very conservative, where would you place the following people with respect to their views on SOCIAL ISSUES dealing with issues such as, gay marriage, abortion, guns, immigration?

   a. Yourself  
   b. Governor Haslam  
   c. The Tennessee State Legislature  
   d. Fellow citizens in Tennessee

1  Very liberal  
2  Somewhat liberal  
3  Neither liberal nor conservative  
4  Somewhat conservative  
5  Very conservative  
8  Don’t know (v)  
9  Refused (v)
(Q3a-Q3d were randomly ordered, but were asked in the same order as Q2.)

Q3. On a five-point scale that goes from very liberal to very conservative, where would you place the following people with respect to their views on ECONOMIC ISSUES dealing with issues such as such as government spending, job creation and tax policy?

a. Yourself
b. Governor Haslam
c. The Tennessee State Legislature
d. Fellow citizens in Tennessee

1 Very liberal
2 Somewhat liberal
3 Neither liberal nor conservative
4 Somewhat conservative
5 Very conservative
8 Don't know (v)
9 Refused (v)

(Q4 political parties were rotated.)

Q4. Thinking about the election held on November 6, which party did you vote for in the race for Tennessee State House? Did you vote for the (Democratic) candidate, the (Republican) candidate, or did you not vote in the most recent election?

1 Democratic
2 Republican
3 Did not vote
4 A different party (v)
8 Don't know (v)
9 Refused (v)

(Q5 candidate names were rotated.)

Q5. Thinking about the election held on November 6, which candidate did you vote for for president? Did you vote for (Barack Obama) or (Mitt Romney), or did you not vote in the most recent election?

1 Barack Obama
2 Mitt Romney
3 Did not vote
4 A different party (v)
8 Don't know (v)
9 Refused (v)
Q6. Which of the following comes closest to your view, even if neither is exactly right? (I would prefer my legislators work with members of the opposing political party even if it means they have to compromise on some of their values and priorities.) Or, (I would prefer my legislators pursue their own values and priorities even if it means they are unwilling to work with members of the opposing political party.)

1. Work with members of opposing party
2. Pursue own values and priorities

8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)

(Half of the respondents were asked Q7 and half were asked Q8.)

Q7. In general, do you think the state government ought to tell private entities how to operate or should private entities be free to make their own policies?

1. State government dictate
2. Private entities make own policies
8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)

Q8. In general, do you think the state government ought to tell private entities, such as religious groups, private universities, and corporations, what their non-discrimination policies should be or should private entities be free to make their own policies?

1. State government dictate
2. Private entities make own policies
8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)

(Q9 responses were randomly ordered with “something else” always coming last.)

Q9. Which of the following do you think should be the TOP priority of the Tennessee state government? Do you think it should be...

1. The economy, including jobs (ASK Q9)
2. Healthcare (ASK Q9)
3. Education (ASK Q9)
4. Immigration (ASK Q9)
5. Guns (ASK Q9)
6. Social issues like abortion and gay rights (ASK Q9)
7. Something else (ASK Q9)

8. Don't know (v) (SKIP TO Q10a/b)
9. Refused (v) (SKIP TO Q10a/b)
(Q10 responses were presented in the same order as in Q9. Answer chosen by respondent to Q9 was omitted from the list.)

Q10. Which of the following do you think should be the SECOND highest priority of the Tennessee state government?

1. The economy, including jobs
2. Healthcare
3. Education
4. Immigration
5. Guns
6. Social issues like abortion and gay rights
7. Something else
8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)

(Half of the respondents were asked Q11 and half were asked Q12.)

(Q11 and Q12 responses were randomly ordered 1-4 or 4-1.)

Q11. How would you rate the condition of the Tennessee state economy these days? Is it...

1. Very good
2. Fairly good
3. Fairly bad
4. Very bad

[DO NOT READ]

8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)

Q12. How would you rate the condition of the United States economy these days? Is it...

1. Very good
2. Fairly good
3. Fairly bad
4. Very bad

[DO NOT READ]

8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)
(Q13 responses were randomly ordered 1-5 or 5-1.)

Q13. Who do you think is most responsible for the state of the economy? Do you think it is...
1 President Obama
2 The U.S. Congress
3 President Bush
4 The Tennessee State Legislature
5 Governor Haslam
[DO NOT READ]
8 Don’t Know
9 Refused

(Half of the respondents were asked Q14 and half were asked Q15.)

Q14. Thinking about education in the state of Tennessee...Would you favor or oppose opening more charter schools? Charter schools are public, and function independently of the local district as long as they meet certain standards set by the state government?
1 Favor
2 Oppose
8 Don’t know (v)
9 Refused (v)

Q15. Thinking about education in the state of Tennessee...Would you favor or oppose opening more public schools that function independently of the local district as long as they meet certain standards set by the state government?
1 Favor
2 Oppose
8 Don’t know (v)
9 Refused (v)

(There is no Q16 in this survey instrument.)

Q17. Which comes closer to your view, even if neither is exactly right? Teachers and counselors in Tennessee public elementary and middle schools should be prohibited from providing any information or material that mentions sexual orientation other than heterosexuality. Or, teachers and counselors should be allowed to mention other sexual orientations.
1 Only allowed to mention heterosexuality
2 Be allowed to mention other sexual orientations
8 Don't know (v)
9 Refused (v)
(Half of the respondents were asked Q18 and half were asked Q19.)

Q18. Overall, what grade would you give public schools in Tennessee? Do they deserve an...
   1  A
   2  B
   3  C
   4  D, or
   5  F
   [DO NOT READ]
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused (v)

Q19. Overall, what grade would you give the local public schools in your district in Tennessee? Do they deserve an...
   1  A
   2  B
   3  C
   4  D, or
   5  F
   [DO NOT READ]
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused (v)

Q20. Do you favor or oppose the Tennessee Valley Authority, or have you not heard enough about it to have an opinion?
   1  Favor
   2  Oppose
   3  Haven't heard enough
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused (v)

(Half of the respondents were asked Q21 and half were asked Q22.)

Q21. Do you favor or oppose the use of nuclear energy as one of the ways to provide electricity for the state of Tennessee, or haven't you thought much about the issue?
   1  Favor
   2  Oppose
   3  Haven't thought enough about it
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused (v)
Q22. Now thinking about wind power, some people argue that wind turbines are a good source of renewable energy with very low environmental impact. Others argue that wind turbines are too big and often placed on mountaintops creating an eye sore. Do you favor or oppose the use of wind turbines to generate energy?

1. Favor
2. Oppose
3. Haven’t thought enough about it
8. Don’t know (v)
9. Refused (v)

(Half of the respondents were asked Q23 and half were asked Q24.)

Q23. Do you think public employees are currently being paid too much, not enough, or about the right amount?

1. Too much
2. Not enough
3. About the right amount
8. Don’t know (v)
9. Refused (v)

Q24. Do you think public school teachers are currently being paid too much, not enough, or about the right amount?

1. Too much
2. Not enough
3. About the right amount
8. Don’t know (v)
9. Refused (v)

(Q25 response choices were rotated.)

Q25. There are currently proposals being discussed to expand Medicaid to provide health insurance to more low-income uninsured adults, including adults with no children whose incomes are below about $16,000 per year. The federal government will initially play the entire cost of this expansion, and after several years, states will pay 10 percent and the federal government will pay 90 percent. If Tennessee chooses not to expand Medicaid, uninsured individuals will likely continue to receive most of their medical treatment in emergency rooms which increases health care costs for the insured. The Supreme Court ruled that states may choose whether or not to participate in this expansion. Which of the following two options is closest to your view even if neither is exactly right? (Keep Medicaid as it is today, with no new funding from the federal government and no change in who will be covered by the program). Or, (expand Medicaid to cover more low-income uninsured people, with the federal government initially paying the entire cost of the expansion and Tennessee eventually paying ten percent)?

1. Keep Medicaid as it is
2. Expand Medicaid

[DO NOT READ]
8. Don’t know (v)
9. Refused (v)
Q27. Recently, the Tennessee state legislature has been debating whether individuals with handgun carry permits should be allowed to keep guns in their vehicles while on their employer's private property. On one hand, if workers are not permitted to keep a gun in their vehicle, then they will not be able to exercise their right to carry guns on their commute to work. On the other hand, employers have a right to determine whether or not to allow guns on their property. Do you think employers should be required by the state to allow their employees to keep a gun in their vehicle if they have the required permits?

1  Should be required to allow
2  Should not be required to allow
8  Don’t know (v)
9  Refused (v)

Q30. Since 1970, judges on the Tennessee Supreme Court have been chosen by the Governor from a list of qualified candidates put forward by a nominating commission. The State Legislature has been debating whether Tennessee voters should elect these judges. Some support this change because citizens, rather than the governor, would choose judges. Others oppose the change because judges would have to campaign for election, which might politicize the judicial process. What do you think? Should judges be appointed by the governor, or elected by voters, or haven't you thought much about it?

1  Governor chooses
2  Voters choose
3  Haven't thought much about it
8  Don’t know (v)
9  Refused (v)

Q31. Some local communities in Tennessee are passing laws that ban discrimination against gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgendered people. Do you favor or oppose such laws, or haven't you thought much about it?

1  Favor
2  Oppose
3  Haven't thought much about it
8  Don’t know (v)
9  Refused (v)

Q32. Currently, Tennessee residents are allowed to vote in either the Democratic or the Republican Party’s primary when they arrive at the polls on Primary Election Day. Do you think the state should change the rules so that only officially registered party members are allowed to vote in their party's primary, or should people be able to choose which party primary to participate in on Election Day?

1  Yes, change the rules
2  No, rules should be left how they are
8  Don’t know (v)
9  Refused (v)
(Half of the respondents were asked Q33-Q36 and half were asked Q37-Q40.)

Q33. Given what you know about the Affordable Care Act that passed in 2010, do you have a generally favorable or generally unfavorable view of it, or have you not heard enough about it to form an opinion?
   1  Generally favorable
   2  Generally unfavorable
   3  Haven't heard enough
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused (v)

(Half of the respondents were asked Q34 and half were asked Q35.)

Q34. Do you approve or disapprove of a provision in the Affordable Care Act that allows children to stay on their parents' health insurance until the age of 26?
   1  Approve
   2  Disapprove
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused

Q35. Do you approve or disapprove of a provision in the Affordable Care Act that prohibits health insurance companies from charging some customers higher premiums based on pre-existing conditions or medical history?
   1  Approve
   2  Disapprove
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused (v)

Q36. In the coming months, more parts of the Affordable Care Act will go into effect. As you may know, part of the law creates a health insurance exchange which offers a set of health insurance plans from which individuals can choose. Would you rather have the State of Tennessee create and run its own health care exchange system, or would you rather have the state use the health care exchange system created by the federal government?
   1  State should run exchange system
   2  Federal government should run exchange system
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused (v)

(Half of the respondents were asked Q37 and half were asked Q38.)

Q37. Do you approve or disapprove of a provision in the Affordable Care Act that allows children to stay on their parents' health insurance until the age of 26?
   1  Approve
   2  Disapprove
   8  Don't know (v)
   9  Refused
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  1. Approve
  2. Disapprove
  8. Don’t know (v)
  9. Refused (v)

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  1. State should run exchange system
  2. Federal government should run exchange system
  8. Don’t know (v)
  9. Refused (v)

Q40. Given what you know about the Affordable Care Act that passed in 2010, do you have a generally favorable or generally unfavorable view of it, or have you not heard enough about it to form an opinion?

  1. Generally favorable
  2. Generally unfavorable
  3. Haven’t heard enough
  8. Don’t know (v)
  9. Refused (v)

(Q41a-Q41f were randomly ordered.)

Q41. Congress has considered many proposals for reducing the deficit. As I read a list of ideas, please tell me if you would be willing or not willing to see each one be part of the final package that Congress considers to reduce the deficit, or not. First, how about...

  a. Allow the tax cuts passed in 2001 and 2003 to expire for families earning over $250,000 per year.
  b. Reduce the value of itemized tax deductions, such as for child care and mortgages, for families earning over $250,000 per year.
  c. Raise the eligibility age for Medicare from 65 to 67 years old.
  d. Place strict limits on how much money Washington will spend on Medicaid and Medicare.
  e. Freeze spending on non-defense domestic programs such as education, parks, and housing through the year 2019.

  1. Willing
  2. Not willing
  8. Don’t know (v)
  9. Refused (v)
Some people have called for their state to remove itself from the United States of America and form a new country. How about you? Do you think Tennessee should become independent from the U.S. and form its own country... OR should Tennessee remain a part of the U.S.?

1. Tennessee should become independent from the U.S. and form its own country
2. Tennessee should remain a part of the U.S.

[DO NOT READ]
3. Haven't thought much about it (v)
8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)

Q42. Which comes closest to your view about illegal immigrants who are currently working in the U.S.? They should be allowed to stay in their jobs and to eventually apply for U.S. citizenship; They should be allowed to stay in their jobs only as temporary guest workers, but not to apply for U.S. citizenship; or, They should be required to leave their jobs and leave the U.S.

1. Stay and apply for citizenship
2. Stay as temporary guest workers
3. Required to leave jobs and U.S.
8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)

Q43. Thinking of your finances these days, would you say that you and your household are...

1. Better off financially than a year ago
2. Worse off financially, or
3. About the same as a year ago

[DO NOT READ]
8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)

Q44. Do you think of yourself as part of the Tea Party movement?

1. Yes (ASK Q34)
2. No (ASK Q34)
3. Never heard of the Tea Party (v) (SKIP TO Q35)
8. Don't know (v) (ASK Q34)
9. Refused (v) (ASK Q34)

Q45. In general, do you support the Tea Party movement's ideas?

1. Yes
2. No
3. Don't know what the ideas are (v)
4. Never heard of Tea Party (v)
8. Don't know (v)
9. Refused (v)
REGIST. These days, many people are so busy they can't find time to register to vote, or move around so often they don't get a chance to re-register. Are you NOW registered to vote in your precinct or election district or haven't you been able to register so far?

1 Yes, registered
2 No, not registered
8 Don't know (v)
9 Refused (v)

(QL1 was asked if LANDLINE SAMPLE (SAMPLE=1).)

QL1. Now thinking about your telephone use... Do you have a working cell phone?

1 Yes (SKIP TO L2C2HH)
2 No (ASK QL1a)
8 Don't know (v) (ASK QL1a)
9 Refused (v) (ASK QL1a)

QL1a. Does anyone else in your household have a working cell phone?

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know (v)
9 Refused (v)

(QC1 was asked if CELL PHONE SAMPLE (SAMPLE=2).)

QC1. Now thinking about your telephone use... Is there at least one telephone INSIDE your home that is currently working and is not a cell phone?

1 Yes
2 No
8 Don't know (v)
9 Refused (v)

(L2C2HH was asked if household had both a landline and a cell phone. Otherwise, questionnaire skipped to AGE.)

(L2C2HH response choices were randomly ordered, 1-3 or 3-1.)

L2C2HH. Of all the telephone calls that you and other people in your household receive, are...

1 All or almost all calls on a cell phone
2 Some on a cell phone and some on a regular home phone
3 All or almost all calls on a regular home phone

[DO NOT READ]
8 Don't know (v)
9 Refused (v)
A few last questions for statistical purposes only...

AGE. What is your age?
   ___ years [RECORD EXACT AGE 18-96]
   97    97 or older
   98    Don't know
   99    Refused

HH1. How many adults currently live in your household, INCLUDING YOURSELF? [IF NECESSARY: That is, how many people age 18 and over, INCLUDING YOURSELF?]
   ___ [RECORD EXACT NUMBER 1-5]
   6     6 or greater
   8     Don't know (v)
   9     Refused (v)

LIVE. About how many years have you lived in Tennessee? [IF LIVED IN TN OFF-AND-ON, READ: Please think about the total time you have lived in Tennessee.]
   ___ [RECORD EXACT NUMBER 1-96]
   0     Less than 1 year
   97    97 years or more
   98    Don't know (v)
   99    Refused (v)

HISP. Are you, yourself, of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, or some other Latin American background?
   1     Yes
   2     No
   8     Don't know (v)
   9     Refused (v)

RACE. What is your race? Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?
[INTERVIEWER NOTE: IF R SAYS HISPANIC OR LATINO, PROBE: Do you consider yourself a WHITE (Hispanic/Latino) or a BLACK (Hispanic/Latino)? IF R DOES NOT SAY WHITE, BLACK OR ONE OF THE RACE CATEGORIES LISTED, RECORD AS “OTHER” (CODE 6)]
   1     White
   2     Black or African-American
   3     Asian or Pacific Islander
   4     Mixed race
   5     Native American/American Indian
   6     Other (SPECIFY)
   8     Don't know (v)
   9     Refused (v)
PARTY. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a...
1 Democrat (ASK PTYSTRDEM)
2 Republican (SKIP TO PTYSTRREP)
3 Independent (SKIP TO PARTYLN)
4 Something else (SKIP TO PARTYLN)

[DO NOT READ]
8 Don’t know (v) (SKIP TO PARTYLN)
9 Refused (v) (SKIP TO PARTYLN)

PTYSTRDEM. Would you call yourself a... [INTERVIEWER NOTE: READ IF NECESSARY: Whatever strong means to you.]
1 Strong Democrat (SKIP TO IDEO1/2)
2 Not a Strong Democrat (SKIP TO IDEO1/2)

[DO NOT READ]
8 Don’t know (v) (SKIP TO IDEO1/2)
9 Refused (v) (SKIP TO IDEO1/2)

PTYSTRREP. Would you call yourself a... [INTERVIEWER NOTE: READ IF NECESSARY: Whatever strong means to you.]
1 Strong Republican (SKIP TO IDEO1/2)
2 Not a Strong Republican (SKIP TO IDEO1/2)

[DO NOT READ]
8 Don’t know (v) (SKIP TO IDEO1/2)
9 Refused (v) (SKIP TO IDEO1/2)

PARTYLN. Do you think of yourself as closer to the...
1 Republican Party (OR)
2 Democratic Party

[DO NOT READ]
8 Don’t know (v)
9 Refused (v)

(Half of the respondents were asked IDEO1 and half were asked IDEO2.)

(IDEO1 and IDEO2 response choices were randomly ordered, 1-3 or 3-1.)

IDEO1. We hear a lot of talk these days about conservatives and liberals. How would you generally describe your views on most political matters? Are you...
1 Conservative
2 Moderate (OR)
3 Liberal

[DO NOT READ]
8 Don’t know (v)
9 Refused (v)
IDEO2. We hear a lot of talk these days about conservatives and progressives. How would you generally describe your views on most political matters? Are you...

1. Conservative
2. Moderate
3. Progressive

[DO NOT READ]
8. Don’t know (v)
9. Refused (v)

EDUC2. What is the highest level of school you have completed or the highest degree you have received? [INTERVIEWER NOTE: Enter code 3-HS grad if R completed training that did NOT count toward a degree.]

1. Less than high school (Grades 1-8 or no formal schooling)
2. High school incomplete (Grades 9-11 or Grade 12 with NO diploma)
3. High school graduate (Grade 12 with diploma or GED certificate)
4. Some college, no degree (includes community college)
5. Two year associate degree from a college or university
6. Four year college or university degree/Bachelor’s degree (e.g., BS, BA, AB)
7. Some postgraduate or professional schooling, no postgraduate degree
8. Postgraduate or professional degree, including master’s, doctorate, medical or law degree (e.g., MA, MS, PhD, MD, JD)
98. Don’t know (v)
99. Refused (v)

ATTEND. How often do you attend church, mosque, synagogue or other place of worship? Do you attend...

1. Never
2. Seldom
3. Almost every week
4. Once a week (OR)
5. More than once a week

[DO NOT READ]
8. Don’t know (v)
9. Refused (v)

BRNAGAIN. Would you call yourself a born-again Christian – that is, have you personally had a conversion experience related to Jesus Christ?

1. Yes, born-again Christian
2. No
8. Don’t know (v)
9. Refused (v)

INC1. Before taxes, was your total household income in 2011 under $45,000... or $45,000 or over?

1. Under $45,000 (ASK INC2)
2. $45,000 or over (ASK INC3)
8. Don’t know (v)
9. Refused (v)
INC2. Before taxes, was it...
   1  Under $15,000
   2  $15,000 to under $30,000 (OR)
   3  $30,000 to under $45,000
   [DO NOT READ]
   8  Don’t know (v)
   9  Refused (v)

INC3. Before taxes, was it...
   1  $45,000 to under $75,000
   2  $75,000 to under $100,000 (OR)
   3  $100,000 or more
   [DO NOT READ]
   8  Don’t know
   9  Refused

RZIPCODE. Finally, could you please tell me your zip code?

READ IF NECESSARY: This question helps us to accurately determine what part of the state people who complete the survey live in and is used only for classification purposes. You cannot be contacted based on this information.

   _____ [ENTER EXACT 5-DIGIT ZIP CODE; VERIFY]
   99999  Don’t know/Refused

THANK AND END INTERVIEW: THANK YOU again for sharing your thoughts and opinions! This survey is being conducted by the Center for the Study of Democratic Institutions at Vanderbilt University. Newspapers will report the results soon. Have a nice rest of the day.