

## African American Survey

Q.1 Thinking about the upcoming presidential primary elections, are you more likely to vote in the Democratic presidential primary or the Republican presidential primary?

Dem [skip to dem primary quest] .. 1  
Rep [skip to rep primary quest] ..... 2  
neither/ not likely to vote ..... 3  
  
dk/r ..... 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 1, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 2]  
[IF THE ANSWER IS 2, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 7]  
[IF THE ANSWER IS 3 OR 9, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 7]

Q.2 If the Democratic presidential primary election was held today, which of these candidates would you vote for?

[CALLER: rotate the name you start on as you read these names from one survey to the next]

Joe Biden [skip to af am cand question] .....	1
Hillary Clinton [skip to why hillary] .....	2
Christopher Dodd [skip to af am cand question] .....	3
John Edwards [skip to af am cand question] .....	4
Mike Gravel [skip to af am cand question] .....	5
Dennis Kucinich [skip to af am cand question] .....	6
Barack Obama [skip to why barack] .....	7
Bill Richardson [skip to af am cand question] .....	8
Undecided/ Not Sure [skip to af am cand question] ...	98
Refused [skip to af am cand question] .....	99

[IF THE ANSWER IS 1 OR 3 OR 4 OR 5 OR 6 OR 8 OR, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 8]

[IF THE ANSWER IS 98 OR 99, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 8]

Q.3 What would you say is the main reason you are leaning toward Hillary Clinton?

Verbatimun ..... 1  
Not Sure ..... 2  
refused [skip to af am cand question] . 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 1, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 4]

Q.4 What would you say is the main reason you are leaning toward Hillary Clinton?

*(CALLER: After answering this question skip to question 8)*

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[IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 3 IS , THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 8]

Q.5 What would you say is the main reason you are leaning toward Barack Obama?

Verbatim ..... 1  
not sure[skip to af am cand question] ... 2  
refused [skip to af am cand question] ... 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS , THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 6]

Q.6 What would you say is the main reason you are leaning toward Barack Obama?

*(CALLER: After answering this question skip to question 8)*

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[IF THE ANSWER TO QUESTION 5 IS , THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 8]

Q.7 If the Republican presidential primary election was held today, which of these candidates would you vote for?

[CALLER: rotate the name you start on as you read these names from one survey to the next]

Sam Brownback .....	1
Newt Gingrich .....	2
Rudy Giuliani .....	3
Mike Huckabee .....	4
Duncan Hunter .....	5
John McCain .....	6
Ron Paul .....	7
Mitt Romney .....	8
Tom Tancredo .....	9
Fred Thompson .....	10
Undecided/ Not Sure ...	98
Refused .....	99

Q.8 One of the candidates currently running for president is an African American. Regardless of how you feel about any individual candidate, do you think white Americans would be willing to vote for an African American for president?

yes ... 1  
no .... 2  
  
dk/r .. 9

Q.9 When thinking about which party you trust more to handle the issues that you care about which of the following best describes you?

trust Democrats more on all issues ..... 1  
trust Democrats on some, Republicans on others ... 2  
trust Republicans more on all issues ..... 3  
  
dk/r ..... 9

Q.10 Thinking about the last few elections, do you think the NATIONAL Democratic Party has taken African American voters for granted?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure .. 3  
  
refused ... 9

Q.11 Thinking about the last few elections, do you think the STATE Democratic Party in South Carolina has taken African American voters for granted?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure .. 3  
  
refused ... 9

Q.12 Do you feel that the Republican Party is currently working to attract African American voters?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure .. 3  
  
refused ... 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 2 OR 3 OR 9, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 14]

Q.13 Do you think the Republican Party effort to attract African American voters is very effective, somewhat effective, not very effective, or not at all effective?

very effective ..... 1  
somewhat effective .. 2  
not very effective ..... 3  
not at all effective ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.14 Regardless of which candidate you support, in general, do you consider yourself a Democrat, Republican, Independent, or something else?

Democrat ..... 1  
Republican ..... 2  
Independent ..... 3  
Something else .. 4

Dk/r ..... 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 1, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 16]  
[IF THE ANSWER IS 2, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 15]  
[IF THE ANSWER IS 3, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 17]  
[IF THE ANSWER IS 4 OR 9, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 18]

Q.15 Would you say that you are a Strong or Not So Strong Republican?

strong ..... 1  
not so strong .. 2

dk/r ..... 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 1 OR 2 OR 9, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 18]

Q.16 Would you say that you are a Strong or Not So Strong Democrat?

strong ..... 1  
not so strong .. 2  
  
dk/r ..... 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 1 OR 2 OR 9, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 18]

Q.17 Would you say that you lean more toward the Republican party, lean more toward the Democratic party, or lean toward neither party?

Lean Republican .. 1  
Lean Democratic .. 2  
neither ..... 3  
  
Dk/r ..... 9

Q.18 I'm going to read a list of things that some people do. For each, thinking about your own values and morals, I'd like you to tell me whether you think it is acceptable or unacceptable.

The first is sex between two adults of the same sex. Is that acceptable or unacceptable?

Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

strongly acceptable ..... 1  
somewhat acceptable ..... 2  
somewhat unacceptable .. 3  
strongly unacceptable ..... 4  
don't know/ not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.19 The next is marriages between blacks and whites. Is that acceptable or unacceptable?

Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

strongly acceptable ..... 1  
somewhat acceptable ..... 2  
somewhat unacceptable .. 3  
strongly unacceptable ..... 4  
don't know/ not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.20 The next is having a child without being married. Is that acceptable or unacceptable?

Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

strongly acceptable ..... 1  
somewhat acceptable ..... 2  
somewhat unacceptable .. 3  
strongly unacceptable ..... 4  
don't know/ not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.21 Blacks using the "N-word" in everyday conversation? Is that acceptable or unacceptable?

Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

strongly acceptable ..... 1  
somewhat acceptable ..... 2  
somewhat unacceptable .. 3  
strongly unacceptable ..... 4  
don't know/ not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.22 Whites using the “N-word” in everyday conversation? Is that acceptable or unacceptable?

Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

strongly acceptable ..... 1  
somewhat acceptable ..... 2  
somewhat unacceptable .. 3  
strongly unacceptable ..... 4  
don't know/ not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.23 Do you think abortion should be legal under any circumstances, legal only under certain circumstances, or illegal in all circumstances?

any ..... 1  
certain .... 2  
illegal ..... 3  
not sure .. 4  
  
dk ..... 9

Q.24 Which of the following best represents your feelings: What happens generally to black people in this country

has a GREAT DEAL of impact on what happens in my own life. .. 1  
has SOME IMPACT on what happens in my own life. .... 2  
has ALMOST NO what happens in my own life ..... 3

Q.25 Thinking about the current path that our nation is taking, do you think our country is on the right track or headed in the wrong direction?

right track ..... 1  
wrong direction .. 2  
not sure ..... 3  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.26 Thinking about the current path that our state is taking, do you think South Carolina is on the right track or headed in the wrong direction?

right track ..... 1  
wrong direction .. 2  
not sure ..... 3  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.27 Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as president of the United States?

approve ..... 1  
disapprove .. 2  
not sure ..... 3  
  
refuse ..... 9

Q.28 Do you approve or disapprove of the way the United States Congress is handling its job?

Approve ..... 1  
Disapprove ..... 2  
not sure ..... 3  
  
refuse to answer .. 9

Q.29 Compared to 30 years ago, do you think life for African Americans in South Carolina has:

gotten a great deal better ... 1  
gotten somewhat better ..... 2  
remained about the same .. 3  
gotten somewhat worse ..... 4  
gotten a great deal worse ... 5  
not sure (volunteered) ..... 6  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.30 Do you believe that illegal immigration has a greater negative impact on job opportunities for African Americans than for other groups in America?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure (volunteered) .. 3  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.31 Some people believe that providing school vouchers to parents to they can send their children to private schools would best help parents get their children out of failing public schools, while others feel that vouchers take desperately needed money away from the public school system.

From what you know, or have heard, do you favor or oppose school vouchers, or do you not know enough to say?

favor .....	1
oppose .....	2
don't know enough/not sure ..	3
refused .....	9

Q.32 What do you think is the biggest problem facing black youth in South Carolina today?

[CALLER: Do NOT read responses; try to code whatever they say using the categories below]

violence and sex in music and on television .....	1
poor education, not taking their education seriously enough .....	2
drugs, alcohol abuse .....	3
lack of role models .....	4
crime .....	5
incarceration - so many blacks in jail .....	6
being victims of racial discrimination .....	7
being treated unfairly by the police .....	8
unemployment, underemployment, not having good jobs .....	9
contracting hiv/aids, stds .....	10
not getting the healthcare you need .....	11
lack of morals/ not going to church enough .....	12
not sure .....	13
Something else / other .....	14
Refused .....	99

Q.33 What do you think is the biggest problem facing your family today?

[CALLER: Do NOT read responses; try to code whatever they say using the categories below]

poor education .....	1
your child not getting into a good college .....	2
underemployment/unemployment/not having good jobs .....	3
poverty .....	4
racism .....	5
crime .....	6
economic insecurity, not having enough money to pay bills, losing your job .....	7
not getting the healthcare you need .....	8
not sure .....	9
Something Else / Other .....	10
refused .....	99

Q.34 Do you think that African Americans sometimes need to act and think “white” in order to get ahead?

yes .....	1
no .....	2
sometimes (if volunteered) ..	3
not sure .....	4
refused .....	9

Q.35 Think about the things that contribute to your own individual identity. How does each of the following contribute to that individual identity? Does each contribute to your identity a great deal, somewhat, very little, or not at all.

The first is: Being an American

great deal .. 1  
somewhat . 2  
very little ... 3  
not at all .... 4  
not sure .... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.36 Being a southerner

(If needed to repeat question : *Think about the things that contribute to your own individual identity. How does each of the following contribute to that individual identity? Does each contribute to your identity a great deal, somewhat, very little, or not at all.*)

great deal ..... 1  
somewhat ..... 2  
very little ..... 3  
not at all ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
do not consider themselves a southerner (volunteered) .. 6  
..... 7  
..... 8  
refused ..... 9

Q.37 Being a South Carolinian

great deal ..... 1  
somewhat ..... 2  
very little ..... 3  
not at all ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
do not consider themselves a South carolinian (volunteered) 6  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.38 Being religious

(Think about the things that contribute to your own individual identity. How does each of the following contribute to that individual identity? Does each contribute to your identity a great deal, somewhat, very little, or not at all.)

great deal .. 1  
somewhat . 2  
very little ... 3  
not at all .... 4  
not sure .... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.39 Your gender (whether you are a man or woman)

(Think about the things that contribute to your own individual identity. How does each of the following contribute to that individual identity? Does each contribute to your identity a great deal, somewhat, very little, or not at all.)

great deal .. 1  
somewhat . 2  
very little ... 3  
not at all .... 4  
not sure .... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.40 Your race or ethnic background

(Think about the things that contribute to your own individual identity. How does each of the following contribute to that individual identity? Does each contribute to your identity a great deal, somewhat, very little, or not at all.)

great deal .. 1  
somewhat . 2  
very little ... 3  
not at all .... 4  
not sure .... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.41 I'd like for you to think about the Confederate flag. Some people believe that it is a symbol of pride in their history or heritage while others believe it is a symbol of racism or hate. What is your opinion of the Confederate flag, do you see it as

- primarily a symbol of pride in history or heritage .. 1
- primarily a symbol of racism or hate ..... 2
- both (volunteered) ..... 3
- neither (volunteered) ..... 4
- not sure (volunteered) ..... 5
  
- refused ..... 9

Q.42 I'd like to ask you if you've ever had the following experiences in your life.

Had a close friend or relative who was a victim of a violent crime?

- yes ..... 1
- no ..... 2
- not sure . 3
  
- refused .. 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 2 OR 3 OR 9, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 44]

Q.43 Had a close friend or relative who was murdered?

- yes ..... 1
- no ..... 2
- not sure . 3
  
- refused .. 9

Q.44 Dated someone of a different race?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

Q.45 Personally been a victim of a violent crime?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

Q.46 Had a close friend of a different race?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

Q.47 Had a family member who was openly gay or lesbian?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

Q.48 Had a close friend who was openly gay or lesbian?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

Q.49 We'd like to get your perception of how you think others treat you based on your race. In your day to day life, how often do any of the following things happen to you because of your racial background? Do they happen very often, somewhat often, once in a while or never?

Being treated with less respect than other people?

very often ..... 1  
somewhat often . 2  
once in a while ... 3  
never ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.50 Receive poorer service than other people at restaurants and stores?

very often ..... 1  
somewhat often . 2  
once in a while ... 3  
never ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.51 People acting as if they think you are not smart?

very often ..... 1  
somewhat often . 2  
once in a while ... 3  
never ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.52 People acting as if they are afraid of you?

very often ..... 1  
somewhat often . 2  
once in a while ... 3  
never ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.53 People acting as if they think you are dishonest?

very often ..... 1  
somewhat often . 2  
once in a while ... 3  
never ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.54 Do you approve or Disapprove of George W. Bush's handling of the war in Iraq?

approve ..... 1  
disapprove . 2  
not sure ..... 3  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.55 Do you feel that we should set a timetable for the withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 2 OR 3 OR 9, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 57]

Q.56 Which of the following do you consider the most reasonable amount of time to complete a withdrawal of U.S. troops from Iraq:

- six months ..... 1
- one year ..... 2
- two years ..... 3
- longer than two years ..... 4
- not sure [only if volunteered] . 5
  
- refused ..... 9

Q.57 Do you believe that the war in Iraq has made America safer or created additional threats to our security?

- safer ..... 1
- additional threats ..... 2
- neither [only if volunteered] ... 3
- not sure [only if volunteered] . 4
  
- refused ..... 9

Q.58 Do you approve or Disapprove of George W. Bush's handling of the war in Afghanistan?

- approve ..... 1
- disapprove . 2
- not sure ..... 3
  
- refused ..... 9

Q.59 Earlier this year, a surge of troops were sent Iraq to bring violence under control. So far, do you feel this troop surge has been very successful, somewhat successful, somewhat unsuccessful, or very unsuccessful?

very successful ..... 1  
somewhat successful ..... 2  
somewhat unsuccessful ..... 3  
very unsuccessful ..... 4  
not sure [only if volunteered] . 5  
mixed [only if volunteered] ..... 6  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.60 Do you think African Americans are currently assuming too much of the burden of fighting the war in Iraq?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

Q.61 Do you have regular access to the internet either at work or at home?

Yes, at home only . 1  
Yes, at work only ... 2  
Yes, at both ..... 3  
No ..... 4  
not sure ..... 5  
  
Refused ..... 9

Q.62 Do you feel that children who do not have internet access at home are at a disadvantage to their classmates in school?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3

refused .. 9

Q.63 Do you feel that people who have internet access at home have greater employment opportunities than those who do not?

yes ..... 1  
no ..... 2  
not sure . 3

refused .. 9

Q.64 I'd like to ask some questions about education in South Carolina.

How would you describe the job South Carolina public schools are doing with the regard educating the children of the state? Excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

excellent . 1  
good ..... 2  
only fair ... 3  
poor ..... 4  
not sure .. 5

refused ... 9

Q.65 Relative to other groups, how would you describe the job South Carolina public schools are doing with the regard educating African American children in the state? Excellent, good, only fair, or poor?

excellent . 1  
good ..... 2  
only fair ... 3  
poor ..... 4  
not sure .. 5

refused ... 9

Q.66 As you may know, research has shown that young blacks have a higher chance than most of winding up in jail, for each of the following statements, please tell me whether you think it is a big reason, small reason, or not a reason why this is true:

More blacks grow up in poverty

big reason ..... 1  
small reason . 2  
not a reason .. 3  
not sure ..... 4

refused ..... 9

Q.67 Police are more likely to target young blacks than other groups

big reason ..... 1  
small reason . 2  
not a reason .. 3  
not sure ..... 4

refused ..... 9

Q.68 Many black parents aren't teaching their kids right from wrong

big reason ..... 1  
small reason . 2  
not a reason .. 3  
not sure ..... 4

refused ..... 9

Q.69 Schools are failing black youth

big reason ..... 1  
small reason . 2  
not a reason .. 3  
not sure ..... 4  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.70 Now I'd like to ask a couple of questions about Rap music.

Do you believe that sexually explicit lyrics in Rap music do or do not cause males to be sexually explicit with females?

do ..... 1  
do not .... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

Q.71 Do you think that violent Rap music and videos do or do not lead people to be more violent?

do ..... 1  
do not .... 2  
not sure . 3  
  
refused .. 9

Q.72 Do you think that some Rap music does or does not have positive themes that uplift and empower people?

does ..... 1  
does not . 2  
not sure .. 3  
  
refused ... 9

Q.73 On the whole, do you think it should be or should not be the government's responsibility to:

Ensure that every American has a decent standard of living.

Definitely should be ..... 1  
Probably should be ..... 2  
Probably should not be .. 3  
Definitely should not be . 4  
Not Sure ..... 5  
  
refused ..... 9

Q.74 How important would you say religion is in your own life: Very important, Fairly important, or Not very important?

Very important ..... 1  
Fairly important ..... 2  
Not Very important ..... 3  
  
Don't know/Refused ..... 9

Q.75 What, if any, is your religious preference: Are you Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, Mormon, Jehovah's Witness, Muslim, or an Orthodox religion such as the Greek or Russian Orthodox Church?

- Protestant ..... 1
- Roman Catholic ..... 2
- Jewish ..... 3
- Mormon ..... 4
- Jehovah's Witness ..... 5
- Muslim ..... 6
- Orthodox ..... 7
- No religious preference . 8
- Don't know/Refused ..... 9

[IF THE ANSWER IS 3 OR 6, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 77]  
[IF THE ANSWER IS 8 OR 9, THEN SKIP TO QUESTION 78]

Q.76 Do you believe that the Bible is the literal word of God and without error?

- Yes ..... 1
- No ..... 2
- not sure .. 3
  
- Refused . 9

Q.77 How often do you attend your church's primary weekly worship services--every week, about 3 times a month, twice a month, once a month, every 6 weeks, every 3 months, once or twice a year, or never?

- Every week ..... 1
- About 3 times a month ..... 2
- Twice a month ..... 3
- About once a month ..... 4
- About every 6 weeks ..... 5
- About every 3 months ..... 6
- About once or twice a year . 7
- Never ..... 8
- Don't know/Refused ..... 9

Q.78 How would you describe your political beliefs, Very Liberal, Somewhat Liberal, Moderate, Somewhat Conservative, Very Conservative?

- Very Liberal ..... 1
- Somewhat Liberal ..... 2
- Moderate ..... 3
- Somewhat Conservative . 4
- Very Conservative ..... 5
- Not sure ..... 6
  
- refused ..... 9

Q.79 Which of the following Most Accurately describes you? Are you employed full-time outside the home, employed part-time outside the home, retired, a homemaker, unable to work due to disability, or a full-time student who may or may not also work?

- Full-time outside the home .. 1
- Part-time outside the home . 2
- Retired ..... 3
- Homemaker ..... 4
- Unemployed ..... 5
- Disability ..... 6
- Full time student ..... 7
- Employed at home ..... 8
- Don't Know / Refused ..... 9

Q.80 What is your age as of your last birthday?

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Q.81 What is the highest level of education you have completed?

- Less than High School ..... 1
- High School graduate / GED ..... 2
- Some college ..... 3
- Two-year tech college grad ..... 4
- Four-year college degree ..... 5
- Post Graduate ..... 6
  
- Don't Know / Refused ..... 9

Q.82 Which of the following best describes your marital status: Currently married, living together with a partner, widowed, divorced, separated, or never married?

- Currently married ..... 1
- Living together with a partner . 2
- Widowed ..... 3
- Divorced ..... 4
- Separated ..... 5
- Never married ..... 6
  
- Don't Know / Refused ..... 9

Q.83 Which of the following categories best describes your TOTAL household YEARLY income? Please stop me when I reach the correct category.

Under 15k, 15-20k, 20-30k, 30-40k, 40-50k, 50-75k, 75-100k, over 100k

- Under \$15K ..... 1
- \$15-20K ..... 2
- \$20-30K ..... 3
- \$30-40K ..... 4
- \$40-50K ..... 5
- \$50-75K ..... 6
- \$75-100K ..... 7
- Over \$100K ..... 8
- Don't Know / Refused . 9

Q.84 This complete the interview, thank you very much for your assistance.

[caller: record sex of the respondent]

male ..... 1  
female ... 2  
not sure . 3

Q.85 Caller: record your own sex

male .... 1  
female . 2

Q.86 Caller: what is your race

African American . 1  
Caucasian ..... 2  
Latino..... 3  
Other ..... 4