Public Opinion Strategies/Hart Research Associates NBC/WSJ National Survey

Interview Schedule

February 25-28,2015 Project #: 15094 N=800 Registered Voters (560 land lines + 240 cells) Margin of Error = ± 3.46%

(ASK QB IF RESPONDENT NOT VOTER ON FILE)

B. Are you registered to vote in the state where you currently live?

100% Yes

Moving on...

P1. Now, generally speaking, would you say that things in the country are going in the right direction, or have they pretty seriously gotten off on the wrong track?

34% RIGHT DIRECTION

61% WRONG TRACK

5% DON'T KNOW (DO NOT READ)

* REFUSED (DO NOT READ)

Now, I'm going to read you the names of public figures, groups, organizations, or countries, and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so. **(RANDOMIZE)**

| | VERY POSITIVE | ı | SMWT POSITIVE | NEUTRAL | SMWT NEGATIVE | VERY NEGATIVE | DK/NOT SURE (DNR) | | | | |
|---|------------------|--------------|------------------|---------|------------------|-------------------|----------------------|--|--|--|--|
| The (first/next) one is | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N1a. | The Sup | upreme Court | | | | | | | | | |
| 2/15 ⁺ | 9% | | 32% | 33% | 16% | 7% | 3% | | | | |
| 7/40 ⁺ | 420/ | 41% | 200/ | 240/ | 470/ | 23% | 40/ | | | | |
| 7/12 ⁺ | 12% | 40% | 28% | 31% | 17% | 11% 28% | 1% | | | | |
| 4/12 | 13% | 40% | 29% | 34% | 14% | 20% 7% | 3% | | | | |
| ., | 1370 | 42% | 2370 | 3.70 | 21,70 | 21% | 3/0 | | | | |
| 7/92 | 8% | | 28% | 26% | 23% | 11% | 4% | | | | |
| | | 36% | | | | 34% | | | | | |
| 5/92 | 10% | 420/ | 32% | 27% | 16% | 10% | 5% | | | | |
| | | 42% | | | | 26% | | | | | |
| ⁺ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters. | | | | | | | | | | | |
| (ASKED OF SAMPLE A ONLY)(ASKED OF N=403 RESPONDENTS) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N1b. | Israel | | | | - | | | | | | |
| | 25% | | 22% | 29% | 12% | 5% | 7% | | | | |
| | | 47% | | | | 17% | | | | | |
| (ASKED OF SAMPLE A ONLY)(ASKED OF N=403 RESPONDENTS) | | | | | | | | | | | |
| N1c. Benjamin Netanyahu | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 2/15 ⁺ | 16% | | 14% | 19% | 8% | 9% | 34% | | | | |
| 0/4 4+ | 420/ | 30% | 420/ | 242/ | 001 | 17% | 400/ | | | | |
| 8/14 ⁺ | 12% | 24% | 12% | 21% | 9% | 6% 15% | 40% | | | | |
| | | 24 70 | | | | 13/0 | | | | | |

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On other topics...

- N2. (Now/And,) have you seen, read, or heard the news coverage about (INSERT ITEM)? (IF YES:) And, have you seen, read, or heard a lot or just some about this? (ROTATE)
 - An upcoming U.S. Supreme Court case to determine whether it is legal for the government to provide money to help low and moderate income people afford health insurance coverage through federally-run exchanges

59% **TOTAL YES**

- 21% Yes, a lot
- 38% Yes, just some
- 40% No
- 1% Not sure (DNR)
- b. Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu and his upcoming address to the U.S. Congress

TOTAL YES 54%

- 21% Yes, a lot
- 33% Yes, just some
- 46% No
 - Not sure (DNR)

Now, thinking about something else...

N3. As you may know, congressional Republicans invited Israeli Prime Minister Benjamin Netanyahu to address Congress without first notifying the president. Do you think that congressional Republicans should have invited the leader of another country to address Congress without first notifying the president or not? If you do not know enough about this issue to say one way or the other, please just say so and we'll move on.

30% Should have invited 48% Should not have invited 22% Don't know enough to say

Not sure (DNR)

Now as you may know, Barack Obama's health care plan was passed by Congress and signed into law in 2010...

N4. When it comes to your opinion about the health care law, do you feel that it...(ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

| <u>2/15</u> ⁺ | <u>4/14</u> | <u>12/13</u> | 10/25- 28/13 | |
|--------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|---|
| 47% | 48% | 40% | 44% | TOTAL WORKING WELL/MINOR MODIFICATIONS |
| 51% | 49% | <i>57%</i> | <i>52%</i> | TOTAL MAJOR OVERHAUL/ELIMINATED |
| | | | | |
| 8% | 8% | 4% | 6% | Is working well the way it is |
| 39% | 40% | 36% | 38% | Needs minor modifications to improve it |
| 24% | 28% | 31% | 28% | Needs a major overhaul |
| 27% | 21% | 26% | 24% | Should be totally eliminated |
| * | - | - | 1% | Other (DNR) |
| 2% | 3% | 3% | 3% | Not sure (DNR) |

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And, thinking about something else...

N5. The Supreme Court is deciding whether it is legal in all states for the federal government to provide financial help to low and moderate income people under the new health care law. If the Supreme Court rules this is not legal, people in thirty-seven states, where there is not a state exchange, would lose this financial assistance. If this happens, do you think Congress should pass a law so that low and moderate income people in ALL states can be eligible for financial help from the government to buy health insurance, or do you think Congress should not pass a law on this issue?

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54% Congress should pass law
35% Congress should NOT pass a law on this issue
2% Depends (DNR)
9% Not sure (DNR)
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And, just to be sure we have a representative sample, I am going to ask you a few questions about yourself.

D1. Now, in what year were you born?

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10% 18 to 24

18% 25 to 34

17% 35 to 44

17% 45 to 54

20% 55 to 64

18% 65 and over

* REFUSED (DO NOT READ)
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Now, I have just a few more questions for statistical purposes only...

D2. And what was the last level of education you COMPLETED? (DO NOT READ CATEGORIES)

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25%
      HIGH SCHOOL OR LESS
28%
      SOME COLLEGE
46%
      COLLEGE+
25%
      GRADUATED HIGH SCHOOL OR LESS
 3%
      TECHNICAL OR VOCATIONAL SCHOOL
25%
      SOME COLLEGE
30%
      GRADUATED COLLEGE
16%
      GRADUATE/PROFESSIONAL SCHOOL
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REFUSED (DO NOT READ)

1%

- D3. And in politics today, do you consider yourself... (ROTATE)
 - a Republican,
 - a Democrat,

or something else?

(IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT, ASK:) Would you call yourself a STRONG

(Republican/Democrat) or a NOT-SO-STRONG (Republican/ Democrat)?

(IF SOMETHING ELSE, ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican or to the Democratic party?

- 39% TOTAL REPUBLICAN 43% TOTAL DEMOCRAT
- 18% STRONG REPUBLICAN
- 10% NOT-SO-STRONG REPUBLICAN
- 11% LEAN TO REPUBLICANS
- 16% SOMETHING ELSE/INDEPENDENT
- 10% LEAN TO DEMOCRATS
- 10% NOT-SO-STRONG DEMOCRAT
- 23% STRONG DEMOCRAT
- 1% DON'T KNOW (DO NOT READ)
- 1% REFUSED (DO NOT READ)
- D4. Do you consider yourself to be a supporter of the Tea Party movement?
 - 24% Yes
 - 68% No
 - 8% Don't Know (DO NOT READ)
 - 1% Refused (DO NOT READ)

D5. And, do you consider yourself to be... (ROTATE TOP TO BOTTOM, BOTTOM TO TOP)

conservative moderate ...or... liberal

(IF CONSERVATIVE/LIBERAL, ASK:) And would you consider yourself to be VERY (CONSERVATIVE/LIBERAL), or just SOMEWHAT (CONSERVATIVE/LIBERAL)?

- 41% TOTAL CONSERVATIVE
- 22% TOTAL LIBERAL
- 19% VERY CONSERVATIVE
- 22% SOMEWHAT CONSERVATIVE
- 34% MODERATE
- 13% SOMEWHAT LIBERAL
- 9% VERY LIBERAL
- 2% UNDECIDED/NOT SURE (DO NOT READ)
- 1% REFUSED (DO NOT READ)
- D6. Now, regardless of how you may feel today...for which of the following candidates did you vote for President in 2012, or were you not registered to vote at that time? (ROTATE 1 & 2)
 - 40% Mitt Romney
 - 47% Barack Obama
 - 6% Not registered to vote at the time (**DO NOT READ**)
 - 3% Someone else (DO NOT READ)
 - 2% Did not vote (DO NOT READ)
 - 1% Don't know/Don't recall (DO NOT READ)
 - 1% Refused (DO NOT READ)

- D7. Other than being an American, what is your main ethnic or racial heritage? (READ CHOICES)
 - 12% AFRICAN AMERICAN OR BLACK
 - 74% WHITE
 - 10% HISPANIC AMERICAN OR LATINO
 - 1% ASIAN AMERICAN
 - OTHER **(DO NOT READ) (IF PUNCH, THEN ASK:)** Now I realize you just said your main ethnic or racial heritage doesn't fall into any of the categories I just mentioned...but if you had to choose JUST ONE of these categories, which ONE would you choose?
 - 1% REFUSED (DO NOT READ)
- D8. And for statistical purposes only...is your total annual household income greater or less than \$60,000 dollars?

(IF LESS THAN \$60,000, ASK:) Is it... (ROTATE FROM TOP TO BOTTOM/BOTTOM TO TOP)

- 10% UNDER \$20,000
- 16% BETWEEN \$20,000 \$40,000
- 12% OVER \$40,000

(IF GREATER THAN \$60,000, ASK:) Is it... (ROTATE FROM TOP TO BOTTOM/BOTTOM TO TOP)

- 13% UNDER \$80,000
- 15% BETWEEN \$80,000 \$100,000
- 23% OVER \$100,000
- 11% REFUSED (DO NOT READ)

D9. Gender **(BY OBSERVATION, BUT ASK EVERYONE)** Are you currently employed, a student, a stay at home mom/dad, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

| 48% | TOTAL MALE |
|------------|-------------------------------|
| 52% | TOTAL FEMALE |
| | |
| 29% | MALE/EMPLOYED |
| 3% | MALE/STUDENT |
| 1% | MALE/AT HOME |
| 11% | MALE/RETIRED |
| 3% | MALE/UNEMPLOYED AND LOOKING |
| 1% | (DO NOT READ) MALE REFUSED |
| | |
| 27% | FEMALE/EMPLOYED |
| 4% | FEMALE/STUDENT |
| 7% | FEMALE/AT HOME |
| 12% | FEMALE/RETIRED |
| 2% | FEMALE/UNEMPLOYED AND LOOKING |
| * | (DO NOT READ) FEMALE REFUSED |