

Wave 2 Data Sheeted Questionnaire (DSQ)

What do you consider the most important issue facing the United States at this moment?

Unemployment	42.8%
Health care reform	15.0%
National debt	15.5%
Terrorism	8.4%
Moral decline	6.2%
Social security reform	1.8%
Immigration	2.5%
Global warming	2.4%
Something else	3.6%
Education reform	1.2%
Food safety	0.6%

Which political party is best able to solve your most important issue?

Democratic Party	32.5%
None of these	25.6%
Republican Party	21.7%
Libertarian Party	1.0%
Green Party	0.9%
Constitution Party	0.9%
Independence Party	7.1%
Conservative Party	3.4%
Tea Party	3.8%
Family & Workers Party	3.1%

With which political party are you registered?

Democratic Party	36.0%
Republican Party	25.2%
Independent / Not registered	26.3%
Decline to answer	10.6%
Libertarian Party	0.5%
Green Party	0.8%
Constitution Party	0.6%

Did you vote in the 2008 election?

Yes	75.9%
No	24.1%



Using the scale below, please indicate how likely you are to vote in the next general election in 2010.

0% chance of voting (Not at all likely)	10.2%
10% chance of voting	1.9%
20% chance of voting	1.5%
30% chance of voting	1.4%
40% chance of voting	0.9%
50% chance of voting	7.7%
60% chance of voting	1.4%
70% chance of voting	2.5%
80% chance of voting	4.5%
90% chance of voting	5.7%
100% chance of voting (Extremely likely)	62.3%

How would you characterize current business conditions in the United States?

Very Bad	17.6%
Bad	66.1%
Normal	11.4%
Good	3.8%
Very Good	1.1%

How do you expect business conditions in the U.S. to change (if at all) in the next six months?

Business conditions will...

Get better	30.1%
Get worse	22.9%
Remain the same	47.0%

How would you characterize current employment conditions in the United States?

Jobs are plentiful	1.8%
Jobs are scarce	93.2%
Normal	5.0%

Do you currently defer a portion of your income to save for retirement?

Yes	39.2%
No	60.8%



How do you expect the level you are currently deferring for retirement savings to change (if at all) in the next six months?

My contribution to retirement savings will...

Increase	16.1%
Decrease	17.1%
Remain the same	66.8%

Thinking of the current systems in the United States, please identify the option that you are most satisfied with from the list of options below.

Telecommunications system	14.0%
Water distribution system	11.0%
Electricity distribution system	11.5%
Food distribution system	9.8%
National defense system	8.4%
University system	8.4%
Waste management system	8.0%
Transportation system	8.3%
Law enforcement system	7.7%
Education system (K-12)	6.2%
Justice system	4.0%
Healthcare system	2.7%

Next, please indicate your satisfaction with each of the items below. How satisfied are you with:

	United States healthcare system	Your health plan	Your personal physician
Extremely satisfied	2.3%	6.8%	18.5%
Very satisfied	5.3%	13.8%	27.1%
Satisfied	12.8%	25.9%	30.7%
Somewhat satisfied	27.9%	29.2%	15.7%
Not at all satisfied	51.7%	24.3%	8.0%

For the statements below, please indicate your agreement using the scale provided.

Health insurance and the delivery of health services should be considered two, separate systems.

Completely disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Completely agree
11.6%	11.9%	32.8%	26.3%	17.4%

Health insurance should mainly be used to pay for major, expensive health events.

Completely disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Completely agree
25.0%	22.3%	22.8%	21.6%	8.3%

I would rather purchase a health insurance plan with a low monthly premium that only covers major costs, than purchase a health insurance plan with a high monthly premium that also covers minor costs.

Completely disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Completely agree
15.1%	16.4%	29.8%	23.5%	15.2%

Health care is a right, and should be provided to all citizens regardless of ability to pay or their behavior.

Completely disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Completely agree
14.2%	11.4%	15.2%	24.3%	34.9%

I have very little control over the amount of money I will need to spend on health care.

Completely disagree	Somewhat disagree	Neither agree nor disagree	Somewhat agree	Completely agree
7.5%	11.0%	22.7%	31.8%	27.0%



For each category of health expenses below, approximately how much has your household paid during the last 12 months?

	Insurance Premiums (annual)	Other Expenses
\$0 - \$1,000	52.1%	71.0%
\$1,001 - \$2,000	18.2%	13.4%
\$2,001 - \$3,000	10.1%	7.0%
\$3,001 - \$4,000	6.4%	2.3%
\$4,001 - \$5,000	4.2%	2.7%
Over \$5,000	9.0%	3.6%
Mean	\$2,120	\$1,302

How much additional would you be willing to pay each year to achieve truly universal health insurance coverage for all US citizens? *If you would not be willing to pay any amount, please enter '0'.*

\$0	73.9%
\$1 - \$50	6.7%
\$51 - \$100	5.8%
\$101 - \$150	0.7%
\$151 - \$200	1.6%
\$201 - \$250	0.4%
Over \$250	10.9%
Mean	\$214

We'd now like to turn to the topic of care giving. In the last 12 months, have you or anyone in your household provided unpaid care to a relative or friend 18 years or older to help them take care of themselves? Unpaid care may include help with personal needs or household chores. It might be managing a person's finances, arranging for outside services, or visiting regularly to see how they are doing. This person need not live with you.

Yes	33.7%
No	66.3%

Have you personally provided unpaid care to a relative or friend 18 years or older in the last 12 months?

Yes	28.8%
No	71.2%

For how many adults did you or someone in your household provide care during the last 12 months?

1 adult	68.4%
2 adults	23.6%
3 adults	4.9%
4 adults	1.0%
5 adults or more	1.9%
Mean	1.53

If you have cared for more than one adult during the last 12 months, please focus on the adult for whom you provided the most assistance when answering the next few questions.

Please indicate whether or not you provided each of the following kinds of help during the last 12 months in your role as caregiver.

Helping someone to...

Activities of Daily Living (ADL)	Yes
Get in and out of beds and chairs	70.8%
Get dressed	58.4%
Get to and from the toilet	42.5%
Bathe or shower	44.7%
Deal with incontinence or diapers	26.0%
Eat/drink	69.9%

As with the previous list, please indicate whether or not you provided each of the following kinds of help during the last 12 months in your role as caregiver.

Helping someone with...

Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL)	Yes
Managing finances, such as paying bills, or filling out insurance claims	57.3%
Grocery shopping	84.0%
Housework, such as doing dishes, laundry, or straightening up	82.6%
Preparing meals	78.5%
Transportation, either by driving yourself or by arranging transportation	81.9%
Arranging or supervising services from an agency, such as nurses or aides	31.6%
Giving medicines, pills, or injections	48.6%

How old is the adult that you assist? If you care for more than one adult, please focus on the adult for whom you provided the most assistance.

18 – 40	18.4%
41 – 50	7.6%
51 – 60	12.2%
61 – 70	16.7%
71 – 80	20.5%
81 – 90	18.8%
Over 90	5.9%
Mean	63.5

What is the gender of the adult that you assist?

Male	36.1%
Female	63.9%

Does the adult that you assist live with you? Again, if you provide care for more than one, please answer this for the person you provide the most assistance.

Yes	37.2%
No	62.8%

In which of the following does the adult that you assist live?

His or her own home	73.5%
Someone else's home	9.9%
An independent living or retirement community	6.6%
A nursing home or facility	2.8%
An assisted living facility where some care may be provided	4.4%
Other	2.8%

How many hours per week do you spend providing care for others?

0 – 8	34.0%
9 – 20	39.2%
21 – 40	16.3%
Over 40	10.4%
Mean	21.2

What is the relationship to you of the adult for whom you provide the most care?

Grandparent	13.5%
Parent	35.4%
Sibling	6.9%
Child	7.6%
Friend	19.4%
Other	17.0%

How independent is the adult for whom you provide the most care? This person...

Cannot be left alone	53.1%
Can be left alone for short periods but needs to be checked several times a day	37.2%
Can be left alone	9.7%

With which of the following does the adult for whom you provide care suffer? Please select all that apply.

Alzheimer's disease or other dementia	15.3%
High blood pressure	36.1%
Eye or vision problems	31.3%
Arthritis	28.1%
Depression or anxiety	28.1%
High cholesterol	19.8%
Hearing problems	24.0%
Heart disease	19.4%
Osteoporosis	11.5%
Breathing or lung problems	22.2%
Stroke	11.8%
Diabetes	25.7%
Cancer	11.8%
Anemia	5.6%
Kidney disease	2.8%
None of the above	14.2%

For how many years have you provided care to this adult?

0	0%
1 - 5	77.8%
6 - 10	11.8%
11 - 15	2.8%
16 - 20	3.1%
Over 20	4.5%
Mean	5.11



How much of your own money have you spent in the last 12 months caring for this adult?

Decline to answer	23.6%
\$0 - \$1,000	61.4%
\$1,001 - \$2,000	15.5%
\$2,001 - \$3,000	4.5%
\$3,001 - \$4,000	2.7%
\$4,001 - \$5,000	4.1%
Over \$5,000	11.8%
Mean	\$2,508

Do you currently receive caregiver-support services through a local, state, or national agency?

	Yes
Local	13.2%
State	6.3%
National	3.8%