



## Empire Edition Data Sheeted Questionnaire (DSQ)

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

	1 <sup>st</sup>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Unemployment	29.3%	19.8%
Health care reform	23.0%	23.3%
National debt	12.7%	13.7%
Terrorism	11.2%	11.0%
Social security reform	5.7%	7.8%
Global warming	5.2%	4.7%
Moral decline	4.2%	5.2%
Immigration	3.3%	5.0%
Education reform	1.8%	5.2%
Food safety	1.3%	2.8%

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

Democratic Party	41.2%
None of these	27.7%
Republican Party	25.5%
Libertarian Party	2.8%
Green Party	1.7%
Constitution Party	1.2%

With which political party are you registered?

Democratic Party	41.8%
Republican Party	23.7%
Independent / Not registered	20.8%
Decline to answer	11.7%
Libertarian Party	1.3%
Constitution Party	0.5%
Green Party	0.2%

If the New York State gubernatorial election was held today and each of these candidates were on the ballot, for which candidate would you vote?

Rudolf Giuliani	37.8%
Andrew Cuomo	33.0%
None of these	20.0%
David Paterson	9.2%



Did you vote in the 2008 election?

Yes	77.8%
No	21.2%

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)	10.8%
10% chance of voting	1.8%
20% chance of voting	1.3%
30% chance of voting	1.0%
40% chance of voting	1.3%
50% chance of voting	6.8%
60% chance of voting	1.2%
70% chance of voting	3.5%
80% chance of voting	3.8%
90% chance of voting	6.3%
100% chance of voting (Extremely likely)	62.0%

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

Very Bad	17.3%
Bad	63.8%
Normal	13.7%
Good	3.5%
Very Good	1.7%

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	33.8%
Get worse	20.3%
Remain the same	45.8%

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

Jobs are plentiful	2.5%
Jobs are scarce	91.0%
Normal	6.5%



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

Yes	50.8%
No	49.2%

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	17.0%
Decrease	16.1%
Remain the same	66.9%

Which of the following industries have the greatest potential for growth in your...?

	County	State	Nation
Healthcare	9.3%	11.8%	17.8%
Renewable Energy	7.2%	11.2%	16.7%
Tourism	8.1%	9.8%	3.3%
Education	8.9%	9.3%	6.3%
Government	5.4%	7.0%	8.8%
Construction	9.8%	6.8%	3.2%
Technology	4.4%	6.7%	8.3%
Banking & Finance	4.2%	5.0%	2.0%
Information Technology	4.2%	4.5%	6.0%
Retail	10.3%	4.5%	2.5%

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	13.9%
Water distribution system	10.9%
Electricity distribution system	10.0%
University system	9.5%
Food distribution system	9.4%
National defense system	8.3%
Transportation system	8.1%
Law enforcement system	8.0%
Waste management system	6.9%
Education system (K-12)	6.6%
Justice system	5.2%
Healthcare system	3.3%

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	3.8%	6.3%	20.2%
Very satisfied	6.2%	15.3%	26.5%
Satisfied	14.0%	25.7%	31.2%
Somewhat satisfied	27.5%	31.8%	15.5%
Not at all satisfied	48.5%	20.8%	6.7%

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
11.5%	12.0%	35.8%	24.7%	16.0%

**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
26.5%	23.2%	23.0%	19.2%	8.2%

**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
12.8%	17.2%	32.7%	25.0%	12.3%

**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
11.0%	12.2%	16.3%	23.5%	37.0%

**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
7.7%	14.3%	23.8%	30.0%	24.2%



How much 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	40.3%
\$1 – \$50	6.2%
\$51 – \$100	7.0%
\$101 – \$150	1.8%
\$151 – \$200	1.8%
\$201 – \$250	1.2%
Over \$250	41.7%
Mean	\$634

Have you or any members of your family contracted the H1N1 (Swine) flu in the past 3 months?

Yes	7.2%
No	92.8%

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	38.2%
No	61.8%

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

1 adult	62.9%
2 adults	27.5%
3 adults	6.6%
4 adults	1.3%
5 adults or more	1.6%
Mean	1.86

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	67.6%
Get dressed	62.1%
Get to and from the toilet	47.3%
Bathe or shower	48.9%
Deal with incontinence or diapers	33.5%
Eat/drink	68.1%

Instrumental Activities of Daily Living (IADL)	Yes
Managing finances, such as paying bills, or filling out insurance claims	69.1%
Grocery shopping	84.8%
Housework, such as doing dishes, laundry, or straightening up	81.6%
Preparing meals	73.1%
Transportation, either by driving yourself or by arranging transportation	79.8%
Arranging or supervising services from an agency, such as nurses or aides	46.2%
Giving medicines, pills, or injections	53.8%

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	15.7%
41 – 50	4.4%
51 – 60	8.7%
61 – 70	14.8%
71 – 80	23.1%
81 – 90	27.5%
Over 90	5.7%

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	38.4%
No	61.6%

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

His or her own home	77.3%
Someone else's home	8.5%
A nursing home or facility	6.4%
An independent living or retirement community	4.3%
An assisted living facility where some care may be provided	3.5%
Other	2.5%



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

0 – 8	34.9%
9 – 20	37.6%
21 – 40	17.9%
Over 40	9.6%
Mean	21.0

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

Parent	48.5%
Grandparent	16.6%
Friend/neighbor	15.3%
Spouse/partner	4.4%
Sibling	3.9%
Child/grandchild	3.9%
Sibling	3.9%
In-law	3.1%
Aunt/uncle	2.6%
Other	1.7%