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1. Party Trust on Taxes

Which party do you trust more to handle the federal tax system?

		Ge	nder		Age				3 Point Party ID		
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	
Republicans	20%	23%	17%	11%	16%	25%	27%	3%	12%	60%	
Democrats	27%	27%	28%	25%	30%	29%	24%	62%	12%	1%	
Neither	38%	40%	37%	40%	37%	39%	35%	23%	55%	30%	
Both equally	5%	5%	4%	7%	5%	2%	8%	5%	6%	2%	
Not sure	10%	5%	14%	17%	13%	5%	5%	7%	15%	6%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(1,000)	(481)	(519)	(180)	(281)	(374)	(165)	(363)	(389)	(248)	

			Race		F	amily Income			Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Republicans	20%	25%	3%	10%	12%	22%	30%	18%	22%	21%	18%
Democrats	27%	23%	50%	31%	27%	24%	31%	35%	25%	23%	30%
Neither	38%	42%	24%	30%	44%	38%	32%	33%	42%	42%	33%
Both equally	5%	4%	5%	10%	5%	8%	3%	7%	3%	3%	7%
Not sure	10%	7%	18%	19%	13%	8%	4%	8%	8%	11%	12%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(1,000)	(754)	(111)	(135)	(338)	(306)	(213)	(172)	(221)	(382)	(225)

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2. Favor a Flat Tax

Do you generally favor or oppose changing the federal tax system to a flat tax, where all but low-income Americans pay the same rate of tax?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Favor	39%	43%	34%	29%	33%	44%	49%	25%	39%	59%
Oppose	30%	29%	31%	35%	33%	30%	21%	45%	24%	17%
Not sure	31%	27%	35%	37%	35%	26%	30%	29%	37%	24%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (994)	100% (479)	100% (515)	100% (176)	100% (280)	100% (373)	100% (165)	100% (361)	100% (386)	100% (247)

			Race		F	amily Income			Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Favor	39%	42%	35%	24%	35%	40%	43%	35%	39%	42%	36%
Oppose	30%	32%	26%	25%	25%	32%	36%	34%	32%	24%	34%
Not sure	31%	27%	39%	51%	40%	28%	21%	31%	28%	34%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(994)	(751)	(108)	(135)	(335)	(304)	(212)	(168)	(221)	(381)	(224)

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3. Flat Tax - 19%
Some people have proposed changing the federal income tax system to a flat tax system. Under one proposed flat tax plan, all but low-income Americans would pay 19% of their income in taxes, regardless of how much money they make. Do you favor or oppose that proposal?

		Ge	nder		А	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Favor	31%	35%	27%	27%	26%	34%	36%	25%	31%	39%
Oppose	41%	42%	40%	45%	43%	38%	39%	53%	37%	30%
Not sure	28%	23%	33%	28%	32%	28%	25%	22%	33%	30%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (991)	100% (480)	100% (511)	100% (177)	100% (278)	100% (371)	100% (165)	100% (360)	100% (384)	100% (247)

			Race		F	amily Income			Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Favor	31%	31%	34%	24%	34%	26%	37%	33%	28%	33%	28%
Oppose	41%	41%	43%	41%	35%	45%	40%	40%	46%	38%	42%
Not sure	28%	28%	23%	35%	31%	29%	23%	27%	26%	29%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(991)	(748)	(110)	(133)	(331)	(305)	(212)	(169)	(220)	(378)	(224)

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4. Flat Tax - 15%
Under another proposed flat tax plan, all but low-income Americans would pay 15% of their income in taxes, regardless of how much money they make. Do you favor or oppose that proposal?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Favor	34%	39%	29%	27%	28%	39%	42%	21%	36%	50%
Oppose	36%	36%	37%	36%	42%	32%	38%	54%	28%	23%
Not sure	29%	25%	34%	37%	30%	29%	20%	24%	35%	27%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(993)	(479)	(514)	(177)	(279)	(372)	(165)	(359)	(387)	(247)

			Race		F	amily Income			Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Favor	34%	38%	23%	24%	30%	36%	41%	39%	28%	38%	30%
Oppose	36%	35%	41%	38%	35%	36%	35%	35%	43%	31%	40%
Not sure	29%	27%	36%	38%	35%	28%	24%	26%	29%	31%	30%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(993)	(749)	(110)	(134)	(334)	(304)	(212)	(169)	(219)	(381)	(224)

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5. Support Affected by Who Benefits the Most

Suppose that under a flat tax plan, everyone got a tax cut, but people who earn the highest incomes saw the largest reductions in their tax bills. Would this make you more or less supportive of a flat tax?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Much more supportive										
of a flat tax	6%	7%	6%	11%	6%	5%	4%	7%	5%	9%
A little more supportive										
of a flat tax	11%	13%	9%	14%	12%	9%	10%	10%	10%	13%
A little more opposed to										
a flat tax	16%	15%	17%	23%	14%	14%	15%	15%	15%	20%
Much more opposed to										
a flat tax	32%	28%	36%	19%	33%	35%	42%	47%	27%	18%
My opinion on a flat tax										
would be unchanged	34%	37%	32%	33%	34%	37%	29%	21%	42%	40%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(990)	(479)	(511)	(179)	(280)	(367)	(164)	(359)	(384)	(247)

			Race		F	amily Income	!		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Much more supportive											
of a flat tax	6%	5%	6%	13%	8%	4%	6%	4%	7%	8%	6%
A little more supportive											
of a flat tax	11%	10%	19%	11%	12%	12%	13%	13%	10%	11%	10%
A little more opposed to											
a flat tax	16%	15%	11%	27%	19%	17%	13%	15%	16%	17%	17%
Much more opposed to											
a flat tax	32%	35%	27%	22%	32%	33%	34%	37%	30%	29%	35%
My opinion on a flat tax											
would be unchanged	34%	35%	37%	28%	30%	33%	34%	31%	37%	36%	32%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(990)	(747)	(110)	(133)	(333)	(306)	(213)	(168)	(219)	(381)	(222)

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6. Current Tax System Fair

Do you think the current federal income tax system, with higher rates for high incomes and lower rates for lower incomes, is fair or unfair?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Fair	50%	46%	54%	50%	52%	47%	53%	66%	42%	40%
Unfair	29%	35%	23%	19%	30%	35%	27%	20%	30%	41%
Not sure	21%	18%	24%	31%	18%	18%	19%	14%	28%	20%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (995)	100% (480)	100% (515)	100% (179)	100% (279)	100% (372)	100% (165)	100% (361)	100% (388)	100% (246)

			Race		F	amily Income	•		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Fair	50%	51%	59%	40%	54%	56%	42%	51%	45%	49%	55%
Unfair	29%	30%	23%	26%	23%	29%	40%	25%	34%	30%	25%
Not sure	21%	19%	18%	33%	23%	15%	19%	24%	21%	21%	20%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(995)	(751)	(110)	(134)	(334)	(306)	(213)	(170)	(220)	(381)	(224)

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7. Bothers You MoreWhich bothers you more about the federal income tax system?

	Total	Gender		Age				3 Point Party ID			
		Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	
The feeling that some wealthy people don't											
pay their fair share	48%	45%	51%	43%	50%	50%	51%	67%	42%	32%	
The feeling that some											
poor people don't pay											
their fair share	8%	12%	6%	8%	9%	9%	8%	7%	7%	13%	
Neither bothers me	13%	13%	12%	19%	14%	10%	9%	9%	12%	19%	
Equally bothered by											
both	22%	22%	21%	15%	15%	28%	27%	13%	24%	30%	
Not sure	9%	7%	10%	15%	11%	4%	5%	4%	15%	5%	
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	
(Unweighted N)	(998)	(481)	(517)	(180)	(281)	(372)	(165)	(362)	(389)	(247)	

	Total	Race			Family Income			Region				
		White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West	
The feeling that some wealthy people don't	400/	F10/	400/	260/	F10/	400/	460/	F20/	400/	400/	E00/	
pay their fair share The feeling that some poor people don't pay	48%	51%	48%	36%	51%	48%	46%	53%	48%	40%	58%	
their fair share	8%	9%	4%	10%	6%	9%	16%	10%	12%	8%	5%	
Neither bothers me Equally bothered by	13%	10%	24%	17%	15%	12%	9%	7%	9%	20%	10%	
both	22%	23%	14%	21%	17%	25%	25%	20%	21%	24%	19%	
Not sure	9%	7%	10%	16%	12%	6%	3%	9%	10%	8%	8%	
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (998)	100% (752)	100% (111)	100% (135)	100% (336)	100% (306)	100% (213)	100% (171)	100% (220)	100% (382)	100% (225)	