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# **National Survey of Latinos: Education**

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## Methodology

The Pew Hispanic Center/Henry J. Kaiser Family Foundation *National Survey of Latinos: Education* was conducted by telephone between August 7 and October 15, 2003 among a nationally representative sample of 3,421 adults, 18 years and older, who were selected at random. Representatives of the Pew Hispanic Center and The Kaiser Family Foundation worked together to develop the survey questionnaire and analyze the results. International Communications Research of Media, PA conducted the fieldwork in either English or Spanish, based on the respondent's preference.

The sample design employed a highly stratified disproportionate RDD sample of the 48 contiguous states. The results are weighted to represent the actual distribution of adults throughout the United States.

Of those who were interviewed, 1,508 identified themselves as being of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent (based on the question "Are you, yourself of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent, such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Central or South American, Caribbean or some other Latin background?") and throughout this summary they will be referred to interchangeably as either "Latinos" or "Hispanics."

Latinos were classified into two groups: foreign-born Latinos and native-born Latinos. Foreign-born Latinos are those who were born outside of the fifty states as well as those who were born on the island of Puerto Rico, a commonwealth associated with the United States. Although individuals born in Puerto Rico are U.S. citizens by birthright, they were included among the foreign-born because, like immigrants from Latin America, they were born into a Spanish-dominant culture and because on many points their attitudes, views and beliefs are much closer to Hispanics born abroad than to Latinos born in the fifty-states, even those who identify themselves as being of Puerto Rican origins. Native-born Latinos are those who say they were born in the United States.

Interviews were also conducted with 1,193 non-Latino whites and 610 non-Latino African Americans. The terms "white" and "African American" are used throughout this summary to refer to non-Latino whites and non-Latino African Americans.

Because of the nature of the survey, some questions were only asked of parents who currently have children in school. Of the total 3,421 adults interviewed, 1,268 reported that they are parents of children who are in Kindergarten through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade.

The sample size and margin of sampling error for these groups is shown in the table below:

### Unweighted Number of Respondents and Margin of Sampling Error for Latino Sub-groups

	Unweighted Number of Respondents (n)	Margin of Sampling Error
<b>Total</b>	3421	+/-2.43 percentage points
Total Latinos	1508	3.03
Foreign-Born Latinos	829	4.07
Native-Born Latinos	677	4.53
Non-Latino Whites	1193	3.19
Non-Latino African Americans	610	4.69
<b>Total Parents</b>	1268	4.11
Latino Parents	650	4.46
Non-Latino White Parents	343	5.81
Non-Latino African American Parents	240	7.48

Note that sampling error may be larger for other subgroups and that sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error in this or any other public opinion poll.

Please note table percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding.

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1. Are you, yourself of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent such as Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Central or South American, Caribbean or some other Latino American background?

	Yes	No
Total	11	89
Total Latinos	100	--
Native-born Latinos	100	--
Foreign-born Latinos	100	--
Non-Latino Whites	--	100
Non-Latino Blacks	--	100

(Asked of Latinos; n=1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

2. Would you prefer to be interviewed in English or Spanish?

	English	Spanish
Total Latinos	51	49
Native-born Latinos	92	8
Foreign-born Latinos	23	77

(Asked of Latinos; n=1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

3. Were you born in the United States, the island of Puerto Rico or in another country?

	US	Puerto Rico	Another Country	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	40	4	56	*	*
Native-born Latinos	100	--	--	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	--	6	94	--	--

### Q1/3 Combination Table

	Non-Latino	-----LATINO-----				Don't know	Refused
		NET	Born in US	Born in Puerto Rico	Born outside of the US		
Total	89	11	5	*	6	--	--
Total Latinos	--	100	40	4	56	--	--
Native-born Latinos	--	100	100	--	--	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	--	100	--	6	94	--	--
Non-Latino Whites	100	--	--	--	--	--	--
Non-Latino Blacks	100	--	--	--	--	--	--

(Asked of Total Latinos; n=1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

3a. The terms Hispanic and Latino are both used to describe people who are of Hispanic or Latino origin or descent. Do you happen to prefer one of these terms more than the other?

(GET ANSWER THAN ASK): Which term do you prefer, Hispanic or Latino?

	Hispanic	Latino	No preference
Total Latinos	30	13	57
Native-born Latinos	28	8	64
Foreign-born Latinos	31	17	52

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

4. Now I want to ask you about you and your family's heritage. Are you Mexican, Puerto Rican, Cuban, Dominican, Salvadoran or are you and your ancestors from another country? (IF ANOTHER COUNTRY: Are you and your ancestors from Central America, South America, or somewhere else? (ACCEPT ONE ANSWER) IF MORE THAN ONE: Which do you identify more with?

	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos
Mexican	62	62	62
Puerto Rican	10	15	6
Cuban	4	4	5
Dominican	3	2	3
Salvadoran	3	*	4
Other Central America	5	3	7
Other South American	6	3	7
Jamaica	*	--	1
Trinidad/Caribbean Islands	1	*	1
Italy	*	*	--
Africa	--	--	--
Spain	2	5	1
Other	2	2	2
USA	1	2	*
Don't know	*	1	--
Refused	*	1	*

## Country of Origin Combination Table

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>
Latino Origin (NET)	11	100
Mexican	7	62
Puerto Rican	1	10
Cuban	*	4
Dominican	*	3
Salvadoran	*	3
Other Central America	1	5
Other South American	1	6
Jamaica	*	*
Trinidad/Caribbean Islands	*	1
Italy	*	*
Africa	--	--
Spain	*	2
USA	*	1
Other	*	2
Non-Latino	89	--

### 5. What race do you consider yourself to be? White, Black or African-American, Asian, or some other race?

	<b>White</b>	<b>Black or African American</b>	<b>Asian</b>	<b>Some other race</b>	<b>Hispanic or Latino (vol.)</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	74	12	1	6	5	1
Total Latinos	28	5	*	20	45	2
Native-born Latinos	29	3	--	28	38	1
Foreign-born Latinos	28	6	*	15	49	2
Non-Latino Whites	100	--	--	--	--	--
Non-Latino Blacks	--	100	--	--	--	--

### Q1/Q5 Race Summary Table

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
Non-Latino (net)	89	--	--	--	100	100
White	71	--	--	--	100	--
Black or African American	12	--	--	--	--	100
Asian-American	1	--	--	--	--	--
Some other race	4	--	--	--	--	--
Unspecified	1	--	--	--	--	--
Latino (net)	11	100	100	100	--	--
White	3	28	29	28	--	--
Black	1	5	3	6	--	--
Asian	*	*	--	*	--	--
Other	2	20	28	15	--	--
Unspecified	5	46	39	51	--	--

## A. GENERAL QUESTIONS

6. Students are often given the grades A, B, C, D, or FAIL. Suppose the public schools themselves, in your community, were graded in the same way. What grade would you give your community's public schools—A, B, C, D, or Fail?

	-----PASSING-----					Fail	Don't Know	Refused
	NET	A	B	C	D			
Total	88	19	38	25	7	5	7	*
Total Latinos	89	26	37	19	6	4	7	*
Native-born Latinos	91	16	41	25	10	4	4	--
Foreign-born Latinos	87	33	35	16	4	4	9	*
Non-Latino Whites	89	19	39	24	7	4	7	*
Non-Latino Blacks	86	13	35	32	7	7	6	-

7. How about the public schools in the nation as a whole? What grade would you give the public schools nationally--A, B, C, D, or FAIL?

	-----PASSING-----					Fail	Don't Know	Refused
	NET	A	B	C	D			
Total	87	5	26	43	12	4	9	*
Total Latinos	85	16	36	27	6	5	10	*
Native-born Latinos	90	7	35	39	8	4	6	*
Foreign-born Latinos	81	22	37	19	5	6	12	*
Non-Latino Whites	87	2	24	47	13	3	10	*
Non-Latino Blacks	87	7	29	41	10	6	6	1

- 7a. What do you think is the most important problem facing the schools in your community today? What is the second most important problem?

### First Mention

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
TEACHERS (NET)	13	15	19	13	13	14
Lack of good teachers	4	3	4	2	4	7
Quality of teachers/inadequate teaching skills/education	3	4	5	3	3	3
Lack of interest/concern for students	3	3	6	2	3	2
Teachers are not teaching	1	*	*	*	1	1
Language barriers to teaching/not enough minority teachers/lack of cultural diversity	1	4	2	6	1	*
Other teachers	1	1	2	1	1	1
CHILDREN (NET)	14	9	10	9	15	15
Lack of discipline/kids need more discipline	7	3	4	3	8	6
Students don't want to learn/pay attention/keeping kids motivated	3	1	2	1	3	4
Kids behavior/teacher's lack of control over students	3	2	1	3	3	4

*First Mention continued...*

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
Respect for teachers/lack of respect/ teacher authority	1	1	2	1	1	*
Other children	*	1	1	1	*	1
<b>CURRICULUM (NET)</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>8</b>
Don't think kids come out with a good education/lack of basic skills (e.g., reading, writing, spelling, etc.)	3	3	3	2	4	2
Standardized curriculum/testing/insuring a standard education	1	1	1	1	1	1
More support for special education programs/getting teachers one-on-one with slower students	1	1	1	*	1	1
There are more sports than anything/too many sports	1	*	*	--	1	*
Lack of math skills	*	*	*	*	1	*
Not enough activities for kids to be involved in	1	1	1	1	1	1
Not enough specific classes (e.g., history, science, creation, college prep, trades, etc.)	1	1	1	1	1	1
Other curriculum	1	1	2	1	1	1
<b>FUNDING/RESOURCES (NET)</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>16</b>
Money/lack of funding/financing what needs to be done	14	7	12	3	17	8
Teachers don't get paid comparably for what the job requires	3	1	3	1	3	2
Poor money management/overspending	1	*	*	*	1	1
Lack of resources/need more schools/school supplies/books	2	1	2	1	2	5
Other funding/resources	1	*	*	*	1	*
<b>PARENTS/FAMILY (NET)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>5</b>
Parental involvement/lack of accountability/don't take responsibility for their children	4	2	3	2	4	5
Parents separating/too many single parent families/breakdown in families	1	*	*	--	1	*
Other parents/family	1	*	1	*	1	*
<b>SECURITY/ SOCIAL ISSUES (NET)</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>17</b>
Drugs	5	6	4	8	5	3
Violence/gangs/crime/safety/security	4	12	7	15	2	8
Lack of communication (students/teachers/parents)	1	1	1	1	*	2
Community involvement/support	1	1	1	*	1	1
Peer pressure/social clicks	*	*	*	*	*	1
Racism/discrimination/prejudice/segregation	1	3	2	3	1	1
Busing/zoning	1	*	*	*	*	*
Lack of morals/values	*	*	*	--	*	*
Immigration/immigrants	*	*	*	--	*	--
Teen pregnancy/pregnancy	*	1	*	1	--	--

*First Mention continued...*

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
School lunches/free lunch program/food in school	*	--	--	--	--	--
Other social issues	1	1	1	1	1	1
Overcrowding/too large class sizes/student teacher ratio	8	6	8	5	8	8
Declining enrollment/attendance/keeping kids in school	2	2	2	1	1	3
Buildings are falling apart/old	*	*	*	*	1	*
Too much bureaucratic involvement	1	*	*	--	1	1
Taking God/prayer out of the schools	1	1	1	1	1	1
Dress code/uniforms	*	*	--	*	*	1
School administration/administrators/leadership	1	*	1	*	1	*
Other	2	2	2	2	2	2
Nothing/no problem	3	11	3	16	1	3
Don't know	5	8	5	10	5	4
Refused	*	*	*	--	*	--

**Second Mention**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
<b>TEACHERS (NET)</b>	15	11	13	9	16	15
Lack of good teachers	5	3	4	2	6	6
Quality of teachers/inadequate teaching skills/education	5	3	4	2	5	3
Lack of interest/concern for students	3	2	2	1	3	4
Teachers are not teaching	*	*	*	*	*	*
Language barriers to teaching/not enough minority teachers/lack of cultural Diversity	1	2	2	3	1	1
Other teachers	1	1	2	1	2	1
<b>CHILDREN (NET)</b>	9	6	7	5	9	9
Lack of discipline/kids need more Discipline	4	2	2	2	5	3
Students don't want to learn/pay attention/keeping kids motivated	2	2	2	1	2	2
Kids behavior/teacher's lack of control over students	2	2	2	2	2	3
Respect for teachers/lack of Respect/teacher authority	*	*	*	*	*	*
Other children	*	*	1	*	*	--
<b>CURRICULUM (NET)</b>	10	6	9	4	10	10
Don't think kids come out with a good education/lack of basic skills (e.g., reading, writing, spelling, etc.)	3	1	1	1	3	2
Standardized curriculum/testing/insuring a standard education	2	1	1	1	2	3

*Second Mention continued...*

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
More support for special education programs/getting teachers one-on-one with slower students	1	1	2	*	1	1
There are more sports than anything/too many sports	1	--	--	--	1	--
Lack of math skills	*	1	*	1	*	1
Not enough activities for kids to be involved in	*	1	1	*	*	1
Not enough specific classes (e.g., history, science, creation, college prep, trades, etc.)	2	*	1	*	2	*
Other curriculum	2	1	2	1	1	2
<b>FUNDING/RESOURCES (NET)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>10</b>
Money/lack of funding/financing what needs to be done	6	4	7	2	7	4
Teachers don't get paid comparably for what the job requires	2	2	3	1	2	3
Poor money management/overspending	1	*	*	*	1	*
Lack of resources/need more schools/school supplies/books	2	1	1	*	2	3
Other funding/resources	*	*	--	*	*	*
<b>PARENTS/FAMILY (NET)</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>5</b>
Parental involvement/lack of accountability/don't take responsibility for their children	3	3	3	2	3	4
Parents separating/too many single parent families/breakdown in families	*	*	*	*	*	*
Other parents/family	1	*	1	*	1	1
<b>SECURITY/SOCIAL ISSUES (NET)</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>14</b>
Drugs	3	5	4	6	3	3
Violence/gangs/crime/safety/security	3	5	6	4	3	6
Lack of communication (students/teachers/parents)	*	1	1	1	--	1
Community involvement/support	1	*	*	*	1	*
Peer pressure/social clicks	*	*	*	*	*	--
Racism/discrimination/prejudice/Segregation	1	2	1	2	1	1
Busing/zoning	1	*	*	*	1	1
Lack of morals/values	*	*	*	*	*	*
Immigration/immigrants	*	*	--	*	--	--
Teen pregnancy/pregnancy	*	1	1	*	*	*
School lunches/free lunch program/food in school	*	1	1	1	*	*
Other social issues	1	1	1	1	1	1

*Second Mention continued...*

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
Overcrowding/too large class sizes/student teacher ratio	5	3	5	2	5	6
Declining enrollment/attendance/keeping kids in school	1	2	2	2	1	2
Buildings are falling apart/old	1	1	1	*	1	1
Too much bureaucratic involvement	1	*	*	1	1	1
Taking God/prayer out of the schools	*	*	--	*	*	*
Dress code/uniforms	*	1	1	1	*	*
School administration/administrators/leadership	*	*	1	*	*	1
Other	4	4	4	4	3	3
Nothing/no problem	15	26	15	33	13	13
Don't know	12	15	11	17	12	10
Refused	*	*	*	*	*	--

**B. IDENTIFYING PARENTS OF SCHOOL-AGE CHILDREN**

**8. How many children do you have?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
No children	26	25	31	20	25	28
Have children (NET)	74	75	69	80	75	72
1-2 (subnet)	40	43	40	45	40	36
1	15	17	16	18	14	17
2	25	25	24	26	26	19
3-5 (subnet)	30	29	25	31	31	29
3	19	17	13	20	20	16
4	7	9	9	8	7	8
5	3	3	3	3	3	4
6 or more (subnet)	4	4	4	4	4	7
Don't know	--	--	--	--	--	--
Refused	*	--	--	--	--	--

(Asked of parents with more than one child n = 2545)

9. In the past school year how many of your children were in kindergarten through the 12th grade?

(Asked of parents with one child n = 561)

9a. In the past year was your child in kindergarten through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade?

**Q8/9/9a Combination Table**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
Have children	74	75	69	80	75	72
Have children in school	32	42	37	46	29	38
1 Child	15	18	17	19	14	18
2 Children	11	14	11	16	10	11
3 Children	4	7	7	7	3	6
4 Children	1	2	2	2	1	2
More than 4 Children	1	1	1	1	*	2
Do not have children in school	42	33	32	34	45	34
Do not have children	26	25	31	20	25	28
Don't know	--	--	--	--	--	--
Refused	*	--	--	--	--	--

(Asked of total Latinos born outside of the US with children in school; n = 396)

10. Was this in the United States or some other country?

	<b>US/ Puerto Rico</b>	<b>Another country</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total Latinos	94	6	--	--

### C. INFORMATION ON SPECIFIC CHILD

I would now like to ask you about your children. Think about your child who was in Kindergarten through the 12<sup>th</sup> grade last year who had the most recent birthday. For the rest of the survey, please focus on this child.

(Asked of total with children in school now; total = 1268, Latinos = 650; NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

11. During the school year that just ended, what grade was your child in?

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
Kindergarten	8	13	15	11	8	9
Elementary School	38	42	40	44	37	40
First grade	9	10	10	10	8	8
Second grade	9	9	10	9	9	7
Third grade	7	8	7	8	7	10
Fourth grade	6	8	9	8	6	7
Fifth grade	7	6	3	8	7	8
Middle School	22	20	20	21	22	24
Sixth grade	6	8	6	9	5	10
Seventh grade	7	7	8	6	8	6
Eighth grade	8	6	5	6	9	7
High School	31	24	25	24	32	27
Ninth grade	7	7	7	7	6	6
Tenth grade	7	6	8	5	7	5
Eleventh grade	8	6	5	7	8	8
Twelfth grade	10	4	4	5	12	8
Don't know	1	*	--	1	1	*
Refused	1	*	*	--	*	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
 NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

**12. Did your child attend public or private school?**

	Public	Private	Home schooling	Don't know	Refused
Total	88	10	2	*	--
Total Latinos	92	7	*	*	--
Native-born Latinos	91	8	*	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	93	7	*	*	--
Non-Latino Whites	86	11	2	--	--
Non-Latino Blacks	91	9	--	*	--

(Asked of parents with no children currently in school or had a child in 12<sup>th</sup> grade last year; total = 1358; Latinos = 484; NB Latinos = 208; FB Latinos = 276; NL Whites = 604; NL Blacks = 227)

**13. Did your child graduate from high school or did they for any reason stop their education before finishing high school?**

	Graduated from high school	Did not graduate from high school	Have not graduated, still in school	Not in school yet	Don't know	Refused
Total	75	8	*	17	*	--
Total Latinos	50	7	3	39	1	--
Native-born Latinos	54	6	3	35	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	47	7	4	42	1	--
Non-Latino Whites	79	8	--	14	*	--
Non-Latino Blacks	70	11	2	17	--	--

(Asked of parents with children who graduated from high school; total = 909, Latinos = 221; NB Latinos = 106; FB Latinos = 115; NL Whites = 493; NL Blacks = 167)

**14. Did your child who graduated from high school (READ LIST)?**

	Stop their education at that point	Go on to community college	Go on to a four year college	Go on to a business, technical, or vocational school	Don't know	Refused
Total	17	18	53	9	1	--
Total Latinos	30	22	39	8	2	--
Native-born Latinos	29	28	31	11	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	30	17	45	6	2	--
Non-Latino Whites	17	18	55	8	2	--
Non-Latino Blacks	17	16	52	16	--	--

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14a. How important is it to you that your child get a college education?

	IMPORTANT			NOT IMPORTANT			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all		
Total	96	83	13	4	2	2	*	*
Total Latinos	99	95	4	1	1	*	*	--
Native-born Latinos	98	93	5	2	1	1	*	--
Foreign-born Latinos	100	96	3	*	*	--	--	--
Non-Latino Whites	95	78	17	5	3	2	--	--
Non-Latino Blacks	100	94	5	*	*	--	--	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
 NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

15. How much do you know about the curriculum and academic goals of your child's grade...a lot, some, just a little, or nothing at all?

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
A lot/some (NET)	88	78	91	71	91	89
A lot	63	51	66	43	67	68
Some	25	27	26	28	25	21
Just a little/nothing (NET)	10	22	8	29	7	11
Just a little	9	17	8	21	7	10
Nothing at all	1	5	--	8	1	1
Don't know	2	*	1	--	1	*
Refused	--	--	--	--	--	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
 NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

16. Do you feel your child's teachers have a good understanding of your child's academic strengths and weaknesses, or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	80	19	2	--
Total Latinos	80	17	3	--
Native-born Latinos	81	16	3	--
Foreign-born Latinos	79	18	4	--
Non-Latino Whites	82	17	1	--
Non-Latino Blacks	76	20	4	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

17. Do you feel your child's teachers have a good understanding of your child's overall development and happiness, or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	71	26	3	--
Total Latinos	76	20	4	--
Native-born Latinos	77	21	2	--
Foreign-born Latinos	76	20	5	--
Non-Latino Whites	72	26	3	--
Non-Latino Blacks	63	32	4	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

18. How much influence do you think you have over your child's education – a lot, some, just a little, or none at all?

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
A lot/some (NET)	89	94	96	93	88	91
A lot	66	79	79	79	61	76
Some	23	15	17	14	27	15
Just a little/none at all (NET)	11	6	4	6	12	9
Just a little	8	5	4	6	10	6
None at all	2	*	1	*	2	3
Don't know	*	*	--	--	--	--
Refused	--	--	--	--	--	--

#### D. PARENT PARTICIPATION

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

19. Here is a list of things that some parents have done and others have not. Which of these things have you done? Have you (READ ITEM)?

a. Participated in a school fund raising activity

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	73	27	*	--
Total Latinos	63	37	*	--
Native-born Latinos	75	25	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	57	43	*	--
Non-Latino Whites	75	25	--	--
Non-Latino Blacks	71	29	--	--

**b. Acted as a volunteer for your child's school**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	68	32	--	--
Total Latinos	55	45	--	--
Native-born Latinos	71	29	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	47	53	--	--
Non-Latino Whites	72	28	--	--
Non-Latino Blacks	64	36	--	--

**c. Attended a PTA meeting**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	64	36	*	--
Total Latinos	74	26	--	--
Native-born Latinos	67	33	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	77	23	--	--
Non-Latino Whites	59	41	*	--
Non-Latino Blacks	71	29	--	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
 NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

**20. During the school year how often do you help your child do homework assignments  
 --nearly every day, once or twice a week, less than once a week, or never?**

	<b>EVER</b>				<b>Never</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
	<b>NET</b>	<b>Nearly every day</b>	<b>Once or twice a week</b>	<b>Less than once a week</b>			
Total	91	51	30	10	8	*	*
Total Latinos	93	59	28	6	7	*	--
Native-born Latinos	90	54	30	6	10	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	94	61	27	6	6	*	--
Non-Latino Whites	91	48	31	12	9	*	*
Non-Latino Blacks	91	61	23	7	9	--	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
 NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

21. How often do you meet with your child’s teacher – about once a month, a few times a year, once a year, or never?

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
Once month/Few times a year (NET)	87	86	90	84	86	91
About once a month	32	42	44	41	27	46
A few times a year	55	44	46	43	59	45
Once a year/Never (NET)	12	13	10	15	12	9
Once a year	8	7	6	8	9	4
Never	4	6	4	7	3	5
Don’t know	1	1	*	1	1	*
Refused	*	--	--	--	*	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;  
 NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

22. Overall, how would you rate your experience when you have had contact with school officials? Would you say your experience has been very good, somewhat good, not too good, or not good at all?

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
Very/Somewhat (NET)	88	90	92	89	89	90
Very good	48	53	55	52	49	39
Somewhat good	40	37	37	38	39	50
Not too/Not at all (NET)	10	6	5	7	9	10
Not too good	7	5	4	5	6	7
Not good at all	4	2	1	2	4	3
Have not had contact with school Officials	1	3	2	3	1	*
Don’t know	*	--	--	--	1	--
Refused	*	*	1	*	*	--

## E. RATINGS OF SCHOOLS

Now I am going to ask you some questions about education issues in your community and in the United States.

23. Compared to five years ago, would you say that in general schools have improved, gotten worse, or stayed about the same?

(IF NECESSARY: Schools in the United States)

GET ANSWER THEN ASK: Is that a lot improved or a little improved or is that a lot worse or a little worse?

	IMPROVED			Stayed about the same	GOTTEN WORSE			Don't know	Refused
	NET	A lot	A little		NET	A little	A lot		
Total	28	8	20	39	30	16	14	3	*
Total Latinos	45	19	26	29	21	10	10	4	*
Native-born Latinos	39	14	25	32	27	13	14	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	50	22	28	28	16	8	8	6	*
Non-Latino Whites	25	6	19	42	30	17	13	3	*
Non-Latino Blacks	31	10	21	32	35	14	21	2	*

24. In general, how do you think the schools attended by primarily Hispanic/Latino children compare to those attended by primarily white children? Would you say they are better, worse, or about the same?

	Better	About the same	Worse	Don't know	Refused
Total	7	47	28	17	1
Total Latinos	13	53	28	16	1
Native-born Latinos	11	49	33	6	1
Foreign-born Latinos	15	55	24	5	1
Non-Latino Whites	6	46	27	20	1
Non-Latino Blacks	7	45	36	11	1

25. In general, how do you think the schools attended by primarily Hispanic/Latino children compare to those attended by primarily Black/African American children? Would you say they are better, worse, or about the same?

	Better	About the same	Worse	Don't know	Refused
Total	12	64	7	16	1
Total Latinos	14	71	9	6	1
Native-born Latinos	15	72	9	4	1
Foreign-born Latinos	14	70	9	8	*
Non-Latino Whites	12	62	7	19	*
Non-Latino Blacks	9	77	8	6	*

26. In general, how do you think the schools attended by primarily Black/African American children compare to those attended by primarily white children? Would you say they are better, worse, or about the same?

	Better	About the same	Worse	Don't know	Refused
Total	6	45	39	10	*
Total Latinos	9	50	35	6	1
Native-born Latinos	10	42	42	5	1
Foreign-born Latinos	7	55	30	7	*
Non-Latino Whites	5	45	38	11	*
Non-Latino Blacks	10	38	46	5	1

27. How confident are you that report cards are an accurate indicator of a student's achievement in school--very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not confident at all?

	CONFIDENT			NOT CONFIDENT			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all		
Total	73	21	52	25	18	7	1	*
Total Latinos	75	29	46	22	17	5	3	*
Native-born Latinos	78	28	50	21	15	6	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	73	30	43	22	18	4	5	*
Non-Latino Whites	73	19	54	26	18	7	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	75	29	46	23	16	7	2	*

28. How confident are you that standardized tests are an accurate indicator of a student's progress and abilities--very confident, somewhat confident, not too confident, or not confident at all?

	CONFIDENT			NOT CONFIDENT			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all		
Total	54	12	42	44	28	16	2	*
Total Latinos	62	19	42	33	23	10	6	*
Native-born Latinos	60	16	44	39	24	15	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	63	22	41	29	22	7	8	*
Non-Latino Whites	53	10	43	45	30	16	2	--
Non-Latino Blacks	55	18	37	42	22	20	2	*

## F. EDUCATION POLICY

29. Do you think standardized tests should or should not be used for the following purposes? Should standardized tests be used (INSERT ITEM) or not? How about (READ ITEMS)? Should standardized tests be used or not?

**a. To determine the level of funding each local school should receive**

	Should be used	Should not be used	Don't know	Refused
Total	35	60	4	1
Total Latinos	59	33	7	*
Native-born Latinos	46	50	3	1
Foreign-born Latinos	68	22	10	*
Non-Latino Whites	31	65	4	1
Non-Latino Blacks	36	59	4	1

**b. To identify areas in which teachers need to improve their teaching skills**

	Should be used	Should not be used	Don't know	Refused
Total	79	18	2	*
Total Latinos	86	9	5	*
Native-born Latinos	85	13	1	1
Foreign-born Latinos	86	6	8	--
Non-Latino Whites	79	19	2	1
Non-Latino Blacks	81	17	2	*

**c. To identify areas where students need extra help**

	Should be used	Should not be used	Don't know	Refused
Total	84	14	2	*
Total Latinos	88	7	5	*
Native-born Latinos	90	8	1	1
Foreign-born Latinos	86	6	8	--
Non-Latino Whites	84	14	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	83	16	1	*

**d. To ensure that all students meet national academic standards**

	Should be used	Should not be used	Don't know	Refused
Total	70	28	2	*
Total Latinos	81	13	5	*
Native-born Latinos	78	19	2	1
Foreign-born Latinos	84	9	8	--
Non-Latino Whites	68	29	2	*
Non-Latino Blacks	68	30	2	1

**e. To rank or rate schools**

	Should be used	Should not be used	Don't know	Refused
Total	53	43	3	1
Total Latinos	69	25	6	*
Native-born Latinos	61	36	2	1
Foreign-born Latinos	74	17	9	--
Non-Latino Whites	51	45	3	1
Non-Latino Blacks	49	46	4	1

**f. By employers when a student applies for a job**

	Should be used	Should not be used	Don't know	Refused
Total	35	62	3	*
Total Latinos	54	40	6	*
Native-born Latinos	42	55	2	*
Foreign-born Latinos	61	30	9	--
Non-Latino Whites	32	66	2	*
Non-Latino Blacks	36	60	4	--

**g. To determine whether or not students are promoted or can graduate**

	Should be used	Should not be used	Don't know	Refused
Total	55	43	2	*
Total Latinos	75	20	5	--
Native-born Latinos	65	33	2	--
Foreign-born Latinos	81	11	7	--
Non-Latino Whites	52	46	2	*
Non-Latino Blacks	52	45	3	*

(Asked of parents with children currently in school; total = 1268, Latinos = 650;

NB Latinos = 254; FB Latinos = 395; NL Whites = 343; NL Blacks = 240)

**30. Do you know how standardized test scores in your child's school compare to (INSERT OPTION)?**

**a. Other schools in your school district**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	54	43	4	*
Total Latinos	38	56	6	--
Native-born Latinos	47	52	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	33	58	9	--
Non-Latino Whites	60	37	3	*
Non-Latino Blacks	48	51	1	--

**b. Other schools in your state**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	46	50	4	*
Total Latinos	31	63	7	--
Native-born Latinos	36	62	2	--
Foreign-born Latinos	28	63	9	--
Non-Latino Whites	53	43	4	*
Non-Latino Blacks	37	62	1	--

(Asked of parents with children currently in school who know how test scores compared to others; total = 692, Latinos = 289; FB Latinos = 153; NB Latinos = 136; NL Whites = 245; NL Blacks = 140)

**31. Where do you get this information about standardized test scores? Do you get it from (READ LIST)?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
Your child's school	63	71	62	78	61	62
The media	23	17	15	18	25	24
Some other source (NET)	14	11	23	2	13	14
Internet (vol.)	5	5	12	*	5	6
School and Media (vol.)	3	1	2	--	3	2
Relative/friend/self works in the Field (vol.)	2	2	4	--	2	*
State/county government (vol.)	2	*	*	--	2	1
Some other source	2	3	5	2	1	5
Don't know	1	1	--	2	1	*
Refused	--	--	--	--	--	--

**32. Do you support or oppose measures to ensure that an equal amount of money is spent on each student regardless of whether they live in a rich or a poor school district, or don't you know enough to have an opinion?**

	<b>Support</b>	<b>Oppose</b>	<b>Don't know enough to have an opinion</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	68	8	24	*
Total Latinos	65	8	27	*
Native-born Latinos	69	6	24	*
Foreign-born Latinos	62	9	29	*
Non-Latino Whites	69	8	23	*
Non-Latino Blacks	66	7	26	1

(Asked of total who support measures to ensure that an equal amount of money is spent on each student regardless of whether they live in a rich or a poor school district; total = 2348, Latinos = 995; NB Latinos = 463; FB Latinos = 530; NL Whites = 842; NL Blacks = 428)

**32a. Do you support equal spending measures even if that means taking money from rich school districts and giving it to poor ones, or don't you know enough to have an opinion?**

	Yes	No	Don't know enough to have an opinion	Refused
Total	79	7	14	*
Total Latinos	84	6	10	*
Native-born Latinos	85	5	10	--
Foreign-born Latinos	83	7	9	*
Non-Latino Whites	79	7	14	--
Non-Latino Blacks	77	8	14	*

(Asked of total who oppose measures to ensure that an equal amount of money is spent on each student regardless of whether they live in a rich or a poor school district;

total = 281, Latinos = 127; NB Latinos = 51; FB Latinos = 76; NL Whites = 100;

NL Blacks = 43)

**32b. Do you oppose equal spending measures even if it means that some children might get an inferior education because they live in poor school districts, or don't you know enough to have an opinion?**

	Yes	No	Don't know enough to have an opinion	Refused
Total	51	24	19	6
Total Latinos	34	42	23	1
Native-born Latinos	NA	NA	NA	NA
Foreign-born Latinos	NA	NA	NA	NA
Non-Latino Whites	53	24	17	7
Non-Latino Blacks	NA	NA	NA	NA

**NOTE:** Data is not available for subgroups with sample sizes under 100 respondents.

**Q32/32a/32b Combination Table**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
Support measures to ensure equal amounts spent on each student	68	65	69	62	69	66
Even if it means taking money from rich school districts	54	55	59	52	54	51
Not if it means taking money from rich school districts	5	4	3	5	4	5
Oppose measures to ensure equal amounts spent on each student	8	8	6	9	8	7
Even if it means that some children might get an inferior education	4	3	NA	NA	4	NA
Not if it means that some children will get an inferior education	2	3	NA	NA	2	NA
Don't know enough to have an opinion	24	27	24	29	23	26
Refused	*	*	*	*	*	1

**NOTE:** Data is not available for subgroups with sample sizes under 100 respondents.

**33. How concerned are you that federal and state budget problems will seriously affect education programs--very concerned, somewhat concerned, not very concerned, or not at all concerned, or don't you know enough to have an opinion?**

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>	<b>Non-Latino Whites</b>	<b>Non-Latino Blacks</b>
Concerned (NET)	81	80	85	77	81	87
Very	54	54	61	48	51	69
Somewhat	27	27	24	28	30	18
Not concerned (NET)	9	7	6	8	10	5
Not very	6	5	3	6	7	3
Not at all	3	2	3	2	3	2
Don't know enough to have an opinion	10	13	8	15	9	8
Refused	*	*	*	--	*	--

**34. How important is the goal of teaching English to the children of immigrant families? Is it very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important?**

	<b>IMPORTANT</b>			<b>NOT IMPORTANT</b>			<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
	<b>NET</b>	<b>Very</b>	<b>Somewhat</b>	<b>NET</b>	<b>Not too</b>	<b>Not at all</b>		
Total	98	87	10	2	1	1	*	*
Total Latinos	99	92	7	1	1	*	*	*
Native-born Latinos	99	88	11	1	1	1	*	--
Foreign-born Latinos	99	96	4	1	1	*	--	*
Non-Latino Whites	98	87	10	2	1	1	*	*
Non-Latino Blacks	96	83	13	3	1	1	1	--

**35. How good a job do public schools do teaching English to children who are immigrants or who have parents who are immigrants? An excellent job, good job, fair job or poor job?**

	EXCELLENT/GOOD			FAIR/POOR			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Excellent	Good	NET	Fair	Poor		
Total	39	8	31	45	34	11	16	*
Total Latinos	60	27	34	34	26	8	5	--
Native-born Latinos	42	12	31	50	35	15	7	--
Foreign-born Latinos	72	37	36	24	20	4	4	--
Non-Latino Whites	34	4	30	47	36	10	18	*
Non-Latino Blacks	41	10	31	44	33	11	15	*

**36. Many students from immigrant families speak Spanish or another language other than English at home. How important is it for public schools to help these students maintain their family's native language? Is it very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important?**

	IMPORTANT			NOT IMPORTANT			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all		
Total	64	36	28	35	16	18	1	*
Total Latinos	88	67	21	12	7	5	*	--
Native-born Latinos	81	55	26	18	10	9	*	--
Foreign-born Latinos	93	74	18	7	5	3	*	--
Non-Latino Whites	57	29	29	41	19	22	2	*
Non-Latino Blacks	79	51	27	20	11	9	1	*

**37. Do you favor or oppose the government offering parents vouchers to send their children to private or religious schools or to a public school of their choice, or haven't you heard enough about that to have an opinion?**

	Favor	Oppose	Don't know/haven't heard enough	Refused
Total	37	24	40	*
Total Latinos	42	12	46	*
Native-born Latinos	37	18	45	*
Foreign-born Latinos	45	8	47	*
Non-Latino Whites	35	26	39	*
Non-Latino Blacks	39	21	40	--

(Asked of total who favor government vouchers; total = 1357, Latinos = 617;  
 NB Latinos = 251; FB Latinos = 364; NL Whites = 446; NL Blacks = 250)

**38. Would you still favor government vouchers if you heard that it might mean less money for public schools in your area?**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	62	34	4	*
Total Latinos	48	46	6	*
Native-born Latinos	52	45	3	--
Foreign-born Latinos	46	46	7	1
Non-Latino Whites	69	27	4	--
Non-Latino Blacks	34	62	3	--

(Asked of total who oppose government vouchers; total = 727, Latinos = 208;  
 NB Latinos = 131; FB Latinos = 77; NL Whites = 351; NL Blacks = 144)

**39. Would you still oppose government vouchers if you heard that children from poorer families might not be able to attend better schools?**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	65	30	5	1
Total Latinos	56	40	4	*
Native-born Latinos	59	36	4	1
Foreign-born Latinos	NA	NA	NA	NA
Non-Latino Whites	67	29	4	1
Non-Latino Blacks	65	27	8	--

NOTE: Data is not available for subgroups with sample sizes under 100 respondents.

**Q37/38/39 Combination Table**

	Favor Vouchers			Oppose Vouchers			Don't know/ haven't heard enough	Refused
	NET	Even if less money for public schools	Not if less money for public schools	NET	Even if poorer children might not be able to attend better schools	Not if poorer children might not be able to attend better schools		
Total	37	23	12	24	15	7	40	*
Total Latinos	42	20	19	12	7	5	46	*
Native-born Latinos	37	19	16	18	10	6	45	*
Foreign-born Latinos	45	21	21	8	NA	NA	47	*
Non-Latino Whites	35	25	10	26	17	8	39	*
Non-Latino Blacks	39	13	24	21	14	6	40	--

NOTE: Data is not available for subgroups with sample sizes under 100 respondents.

40. I'm going to ask you about the charter school program. The program permits some public schools to function independently from the local school district as long as they meet state standards. Do you favor or oppose the charter school program, or don't you know enough to have an opinion?

	Favor	Oppose	Don't know enough to have an opinion	Refused
Total	30	12	59	*
Total Latinos	25	8	67	*
Native-born Latinos	30	10	59	1
Foreign-born Latinos	21	6	73	*
Non-Latino Whites	30	12	58	--
Non-Latino Blacks	30	11	59	*

**G. NO CHILD LEFT BEHIND QUESTIONS**

41. To the best of your knowledge, has an education reform bill been passed by Congress and signed into law by President Bush, or not, or don't you know?

	Has passed	Has not passed	Don't know	Refused
Total	12	6	82	*
Total Latinos	8	5	87	*
Native-born Latinos	8	7	85	*
Foreign-born Latinos	8	4	88	*
Non-Latino Whites	13	6	81	--
Non-Latino Blacks	10	5	85	*

42. Do you agree or disagree with the following statement: The federal government should require states to set strict performance standards for public schools.

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Refused
Total	72	24	4	*
Total Latinos	67	21	12	*
Native-born Latinos	73	24	4	*
Foreign-born Latinos	63	20	17	*
Non-Latino Whites	73	24	3	*
Non-Latino Blacks	69	24	6	*

43. When a school fails to meet performance standards would you agree or disagree that (INSERT ITEM)? How about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)?

a. Parents should have the option of sending their children to another school

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Refused
Total	87	12	1	*
Total Latinos	87	12	1	*
Native-born Latinos	88	12	*	*
Foreign-born Latinos	87	12	1	*
Non-Latino Whites	87	12	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	89	10	1	*

b. Federal or state funds should be provided to help the school improve its performance

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Refused
Total	87	11	2	*
Total Latinos	93	4	2	--
Native-born Latinos	92	6	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	94	3	3	--
Non-Latino Whites	85	13	2	*
Non-Latino Blacks	96	4	1	--

c. A community group, a private company or the state should be able to take over if a school fails to improve for several years

	Agree	Disagree	Don't know	Refused
Total	67	28	5	*
Total Latinos	73	23	4	*
Native-born Latinos	66	30	4	*
Foreign-born Latinos	77	18	4	--
Non-Latino Whites	66	28	6	*
Non-Latino Blacks	65	30	5	*

44. If a school repeatedly does not meet performance standards, do you think that the top priority should be help the school improve but require students to continue to attend regardless of its performance, OR, give parents the choice to send their children elsewhere even if that means closing down some schools?

	Help the school improve but require students to continue to attend regardless of it's performance	Give parents the choice to send their children elsewhere even if that means closing down some schools	Don't know	Refused
Total	41	55	4	1
Total Latinos	62	35	3	*
Native-born Latinos	50	47	3	*
Foreign-born Latinos	69	28	3	*
Non-Latino Whites	35	60	3	1
Non-Latino Blacks	53	43	4	*

45. Which of these options should be schools top priority? Keeping class size down even if it means hiring teachers who are not highly qualified in the subjects that they teach, OR, ensuring that all teachers are highly qualified in their subjects even if that means that class sizes will be larger?

	Keeping class size down even if it means hiring teachers who are not highly qualified in the subjects they teach	Ensuring that all teachers are highly qualified in their subjects even if that means that class sizes will be larger	Don't know	Refused
Total	20	76	3	1
Total Latinos	19	78	2	1
Native-born Latinos	22	75	2	1
Foreign-born Latinos	17	80	3	*
Non-Latino Whites	21	75	3	1
Non-Latino Blacks	16	79	4	1

## H. DISCRIMINATION AND INTEGRATION

46. In general, do you think standardized tests are an unbiased measure of a student's abilities, OR, biased against non-white students?

	An unbiased measure of a student's ability	Biased against non-white students	Don't know	Refused
Total	58	28	13	1
Total Latinos	58	24	16	2
Native-born Latinos	62	25	12	1
Foreign-born Latinos	55	24	19	2
Non-Latino Whites	60	27	12	1
Non-Latino Blacks	45	41	13	1

47. Some statistics show that Hispanic/Latino students are not doing as well academically as white students. Please tell me if you think each of the following is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason that Hispanic/Latino students are not doing as well as white students. How about (INSERT ITEM)?

a. The school is often too quick to label Hispanic/Latino kids as having behavior or learning problems

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	67	35	32	26	7	*
Total Latinos	77	51	26	21	2	*
Native-born Latinos	78	50	28	21	2	--
Foreign-born Latinos	77	52	24	20	3	*
Non-Latino Whites	64	31	34	28	8	*
Non-Latino Blacks	77	48	29	16	7	*

b. Schools that have mostly Hispanic/Latino students have fewer good teachers

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	64	37	27	26	9	*
Total Latinos	67	44	23	29	4	*
Native-born Latinos	67	38	28	30	3	*
Foreign-born Latinos	67	48	19	28	4	*
Non-Latino Whites	62	34	28	27	11	*
Non-Latino Blacks	70	43	27	22	8	*

c. Too many white teachers don't know how to deal with Hispanic/Latino kids because they come from different cultures

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	71	35	36	26	3	*
Total Latinos	72	47	25	26	2	*
Native-born Latinos	72	41	32	26	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	72	51	21	25	2	*
Non-Latino Whites	70	31	39	27	3	*
Non-Latino Blacks	76	49	28	19	4	*

d. Too many Hispanic/Latino parents neglect to push their kids to work hard

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	65	36	29	27	7	*
Total Latinos	76	53	23	22	2	*
Native-born Latinos	73	47	26	25	2	*
Foreign-born Latinos	78	57	21	20	2	*
Non-Latino Whites	64	34	30	28	8	*
Non-Latino Blacks	61	34	27	31	8	*

e. **Because of racial stereotypes, teachers and principals have lower expectations for Hispanic/Latino students**

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	62	31	31	32	6	*
Total Latinos	69	43	26	27	4	*
Native-born Latinos	76	45	31	23	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	65	41	23	29	6	--
Non-Latino Whites	58	26	32	35	6	*
Non-Latino Blacks	75	45	29	20	6	--

f. **Hispanic/Latino students have weaker English language skills than white students**

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	85	57	27	12	3	*
Total Latinos	76	47	29	22	2	*
Native-born Latinos	82	48	34	17	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	73	47	26	25	2	--
Non-Latino Whites	86	58	28	11	3	*
Non-Latino Blacks	83	59	25	12	4	*

48. **Do you think racially integrated schools are better for kids, worse for kids, or doesn't it make a difference?**

	Better	Worse	Does not make much of a difference	Don't know	Refused
Total	57	7	33	2	*
Total Latinos	44	7	47	2	*
Native-born Latinos	51	8	39	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	38	6	52	3	*
Non-Latino Whites	60	7	31	2	*
Non-Latino Blacks	54	10	34	2	*

(Asked of total who think racially integrated schools are better for kids; total = 1891, Latinos = 719; NB Latinos = 377; FB Latinos = 341; NL Whites = 750; NL Blacks = 357)

48a. **Do you think the government should make sure that schools are racially integrated, or not?**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	59	39	2	*
Total Latinos	75	22	2	*
Native-born Latinos	72	26	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	78	19	3	--
Non-Latino Whites	53	45	2	*
Non-Latino Blacks	79	18	3	1

**Q48/48a Combination Table**

	Racially integrated schools are better for kids			Racially integrated schools are worse for kids	Racially integrated schools do not make much of a difference	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Government should make sure they are integrated	Government should not make sure they are integrated				
Total	57	33	22	7	33	2	*
Total Latinos	44	33	10	7	47	2	*
Native-born Latinos	51	37	13	8	39	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	38	30	7	6	52	3	*
Non-Latino Whites	60	31	27	7	31	2	*
Non-Latino Blacks	54	42	10	10	34	2	*

**49. Do you favor or oppose university admissions programs that give special consideration to Latinos, African Americans and other minority groups? Is that strongly or just somewhat (favor/oppose)?**

	Favor admissions programs that give special considerations to minority groups			Oppose admissions programs that give special considerations to minority groups			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Strongly	Just somewhat	NET	Just somewhat	Strongly		
Total	37	18	19	59	23	36	4	*
Total Latinos	68	45	23	28	14	13	4	*
Native-born Latinos	57	34	22	40	19	21	3	*
Foreign-born Latinos	75	51	23	20	11	8	5	*
Non-Latino Whites	27	9	18	68	25	43	3	*
Non-Latino Blacks	64	44	20	32	19	13	4	*

**I. POLITICIANS AND EDUCATION**

**50. How good a job would you say (INSERT FIRST ITEM) has done handling the issue of education and schools? An excellent job, a good job, a fair job, or a poor job? How about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)?**

**a. President Bush**

	EXCELLENT/GOOD			FAIR/POOR			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Excellent	Good	NET	Fair	Poor		
Total	33	7	25	61	35	25	6	1
Total Latinos	41	12	29	53	38	15	6	*
Native-born Latinos	33	10	23	61	39	22	5	*
Foreign-born Latinos	47	13	34	46	37	9	7	*
Non-Latino Whites	34	8	27	59	36	23	6	1
Non-Latino Blacks	17	3	14	78	34	44	4	*

**b. Your state's governor**

	EXCELLENT/GOOD			FAIR/POOR			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Excellent	Good	NET	Fair	Poor		
Total	32	5	27	61	37	24	7	*
Total Latinos	42	10	32	52	37	15	5	--
Native-born Latinos	33	8	24	63	38	25	5	--
Foreign-born Latinos	49	12	37	45	37	9	6	--
Non-Latino Whites	31	4	27	61	37	24	8	*
Non-Latino Blacks	29	6	24	67	40	27	4	*

**51. Which political party-- the Democrats or the Republicans-- do you trust to do a better job improving education and the schools?**

	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both about the same	Neither	Don't know	Refused
Total	41	28	5	17	8	1
Total Latinos	39	19	9	13	19	1
Native-born Latinos	46	23	6	14	9	2
Foreign-born Latinos	34	16	10	12	26	1
Non-Latino Whites	39	32	4	17	6	2
Non-Latino Blacks	62	13	3	15	7	1

**52. Since George W. Bush became president, do you think public schools in this country have gotten better, worse, or stayed about the same?**

	Better	Worse	Stayed about the same	Don't know	Refused
Total	12	15	68	4	*
Total Latinos	23	12	59	5	*
Native-born Latinos	17	14	66	3	*
Foreign-born Latinos	27	11	55	6	*
Non-Latino Whites	10	14	71	5	*
Non-Latino Blacks	8	30	60	3	*

## J. HIGHER EDUCATION QUESTIONS

53. Which of the following statements comes closer to your view?

	Young people starting out today have little chance of success without a college degree	Success depends on a number of different factors, so young people starting out today can succeed with a high school degree	Don't know	Refused
Total	56	42	2	*
Total Latinos	54	43	2	*
Native-born Latinos	60	40	*	*
Foreign-born Latinos	51	45	3	*
Non-Latino Whites	54	44	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	64	34	2	*

54. I am going to read you several reasons why people do not go to college or fail to finish college if they start. For each one, please tell me whether you think it is a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason at all. First, (INSERT PROBLEM). Is that a major reason, a minor reason, or not a reason at all? And what about (INSERT NEXT PROBLEM).

a. The cost of tuition

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	96	81	15	4	*	--
Total Latinos	91	77	14	7	1	--
Native-born Latinos	93	80	12	6	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	90	75	15	8	2	--
Non-Latino Whites	97	82	15	3	*	--
Non-Latino Blacks	95	82	12	5	--	--

b. Staying close to family instead of going away to school

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	70	20	50	29	1	*
Total Latinos	68	33	35	32	1	--
Native-born Latinos	72	29	43	28	*	--
Foreign-born Latinos	65	36	29	34	1	--
Non-Latino Whites	70	17	53	29	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	70	24	46	28	2	--

**c. Receiving a poor high school education**

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	90	65	25	10	1	*
Total Latinos	82	58	24	17	1	--
Native-born Latinos	88	64	24	12	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	79	54	24	21	1	--
Non-Latino Whites	91	64	27	8	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	89	71	18	11	1	--

**d. Discrimination**

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	62	20	42	37	2	*
Total Latinos	72	40	32	26	1	*
Native-born Latinos	71	32	40	28	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	73	46	27	25	2	--
Non-Latino Whites	57	13	44	41	2	--
Non-Latino Blacks	75	34	40	24	1	--

**e. A need to work and earn money**

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	94	74	20	6	*	--
Total Latinos	92	77	15	8	*	--
Native-born Latinos	95	78	17	5	*	--
Foreign-born Latinos	90	77	13	10	*	--
Non-Latino Whites	95	73	22	5	*	--
Non-Latino Blacks	93	76	17	7	1	--

**f. People feel that they do not need a college degree to be successful**

	REASON			Not a reason	Don't know	Refused
	NET	Major	Minor			
Total	80	35	45	19	1	*
Total Latinos	78	48	30	20	1	*
Native-born Latinos	81	42	39	18	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	76	52	25	22	2	--
Non-Latino Whites	82	33	49	17	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	73	35	38	26	1	--

55. I am going to read you several ways that students and families can pay for a college education. For each one please tell me if you think this would be a good option or a bad option if someone in your family were going to college. (INSERT FIRST ITEM) Is that a good option or a bad option? And what about (INSERT NEXT ITEM)?

**a. Students can borrow money that they pay off after they graduate**

	<b>Good option</b>	<b>Bad option</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	85	15	1	*
Total Latinos	83	16	1	*
Native-born Latinos	80	19	*	*
Foreign-born Latinos	84	15	1	--
Non-Latino Whites	87	13	*	--
Non-Latino Blacks	75	24	1	*

**b. Parents can borrow money to pay college tuition**

	<b>Good option</b>	<b>Bad option</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	72	26	1	*
Total Latinos	71	27	2	*
Native-born Latinos	70	29	1	--
Foreign-born Latinos	72	26	2	*
Non-Latino Whites	73	26	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	68	31	1	*

**c. Students can work while they are in college**

	<b>Good option</b>	<b>Bad option</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	92	7	*	*
Total Latinos	88	11	1	--
Native-born Latinos	90	10	*	--
Foreign-born Latinos	88	12	1	--
Non-Latino Whites	93	6	*	*
Non-Latino Blacks	91	8	*	--

**d. Students can live at home while they go to college**

	<b>Good option</b>	<b>Bad option</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	93	7	1	*
Total Latinos	94	5	1	*
Native-born Latinos	93	6	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	94	5	1	--
Non-Latino Whites	93	6	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	88	11	1	-

## K. LANGUAGE

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

56. Would you say you can carry on a conversation in Spanish, both understanding and speaking-- very well, pretty well, just a little, or not at all?

	---WELL---			---LITTLE/NOT AT ALL---			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Very	Pretty	NET	Just a little	Not at all		
Total Latinos	85	72	13	15	9	6	--	--
Native-born Latinos	69	45	24	31	19	12	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	96	90	6	4	2	2	--	--

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

57. Would you say you can read a newspaper or book in Spanish-- very well, pretty well, just a little, or not at all?

	---WELL---			---LITTLE/NOT AT ALL---			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Very	Pretty	NET	Just a little	Not at all		
Total Latinos	71	40	31	29	18	10	--	*
Native-born Latinos	53	25	27	47	28	19	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	84	50	33	16	11	5	--	*

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

58. Would you say you can carry on a conversation in English, both understanding and speaking -- very well, pretty well, just a little, or not at all?

	---WELL---			---LITTLE/NOT AT ALL---			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Very	Pretty	NET	Just a little	Not at all		
Total Latinos	65	56	10	35	24	11	--	*
Native-born Latinos	99	96	2	1	1	*	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	43	29	14	57	39	18	--	*

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

59. Would you say you can read a newspaper or book in English-- very well, pretty well, just a little, or not at all?

	---WELL---			---LITTLE/NOT AT ALL---			Don't know	Refused
	NET	Very	Pretty	NET	Just a little	Not at all		
Total Latinos	62	46	16	38	24	14	--	*
Native-born Latinos	94	82	12	6	4	2	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	41	21	19	59	37	22	--	*

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

60. If you had to put something together from a set of instructions, would you prefer the instructions be written in English or in Spanish?

	English	Spanish	Makes no difference	Don't know	Refused	Read only English	Read only Spanish	Do not read English or Spanish
Total Latinos	37	26	14	*	--	13	9	1
Native-born Latinos	68	2	10	--	--	1	18	2
Foreign-born Latinos	17	41	16	*	--	21	4	1

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

61. What language do you usually speak at home? Only Spanish, more Spanish than English, both equally, more English than Spanish, or only English?

	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos
Predominately Spanish (NET)	49	10	75
Only Spanish	33	5	51
More Spanish than English	16	5	23
Both equally	19	26	14
Predominately English (NET)	32	64	11
More English than Spanish	14	28	5
Only English	18	36	6
Don't know	--	--	--
Refused	*	--	*

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

62. What language do you usually speak at work? Only Spanish, more Spanish than English, both equally, more English than Spanish, or only English?

	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos
Predominately Spanish (NET)	28	5	44
Only Spanish	19	2	30
More Spanish than English	10	3	14
Both equally	19	19	20
Predominately English (NET)	46	72	28
More English than Spanish	16	24	11
Only English	29	48	17
Does not work	6	4	8
Don't know	--	--	--
Refused	*	--	*

(Asked of total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829)

63. In what language are the news programs you usually watch on TV or listen to on the radio? Only Spanish, more Spanish than English, both equally, more English than Spanish, or only English?

	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos
Predominately Spanish (NET)	34	5	53
Only Spanish	24	2	39
More Spanish than English	10	3	14
Both equally	24	22	26
Predominately English (NET)	42	73	21
More English than Spanish	14	23	8
Only English	28	50	12
Do not watch TV or listen to Radio	*	*	1
Don't know	*	--	*
Refused	*	--	*

(Asked of total Latino parents; n = 1111; NB Latinos =450; FB Latinos = 660)

64. What language do your children usually speak with their friends? Only Spanish, more Spanish than English, both equally, more English than Spanish, or only English?

	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos
Predominately Spanish (NET)	15	2	22
Only Spanish	9	1	14
More Spanish than English	6	1	8
Both equally	22	12	28
Predominately English (NET)	60	84	47
More English than Spanish	22	21	22
Only English	39	63	25
Don't know	3	2	3
Refused	*	1	*

(Asked of Latino parents of children currently in school; n = 650; NB Latinos =254; FB Latinos = 395)

65. If you request it, can you get (READ FIRST ITEM). What about (INSERT NEXT)?

a. A report card written in Spanish

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	60	26	14	--
Native-born Latinos	56	24	20	--
Foreign-born Latinos	63	27	10	--

**b. Your child's standardized test scores written in Spanish**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	54	30	16	--
Native-born Latinos	47	27	26	--
Foreign-born Latinos	58	31	11	--

**c. A school official that can speak Spanish to discuss your child's performance**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	79	17	5	--
Native-born Latinos	78	16	6	--
Foreign-born Latinos	79	17	4	--

**d. A teacher that can speak Spanish with you**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	80	17	3	--
Native-born Latinos	82	13	6	--
Foreign-born Latinos	78	19	2	--

**L. DEMOGRAPHICS ASKED OF LATINOS BORN OUTSIDE THE UNITED STATES**

(Asked of total Latinos born outside of the United States; n = 829)

**66. How many years have you lived in the (if born in Puerto Rico: continental) United States?**

	0-12 years	13-24 years	25-36 years	37-49 years	50 or more years	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	48	30	15	5	1	*	1

**Q3/66 Combination Table**

**Total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829**

	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos
Latinos born outside the United States (NET)	60	--	100
0-12 years	29	--	48
13-24 years	18	--	30
25-36 years	9	--	15
37-49 years	3	--	5
50 or more years	1	--	1
Born in the United States	40	100	--
Don't know	*	--	--
Refused	*	--	--

(Asked of total Latinos born outside the United States except Puerto Rico; n = 779)

67. Now we would like to ask you about US citizenship. Are you...?

	A US citizen	Currently applying for citizenship	Planning to apply for citizenship	Not planning on becoming a citizen	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	28	10	44	14	2	1

**Q3/67 Citizenship Combination Table #1**

**Total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829**

	Born outside of the United States					Born in United States	Born in Puerto Rico	Don't know	Refused
	NET	A US citizen	Currently applying for citizenship	Planning to apply for citizenship	Not planning to become a citizen, dk, ref				
Total Latinos	56	16	6	25	10	40	4	*	*
Native-born Latinos	--	--	--	--	--	100	--	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	94	26	10	41	17	--	6	--	--

**Q3/67 Citizenship Combination Table #2**

**Total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829**

	Citizen of the US	Not a US citizen	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	59	40	*	*
Native-born Latinos	100	--	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	32	68	--	--

(Asked of total Latinos born outside of the United States; n = 829)

68. Do you regularly send money back to (the country in which you were born/Puerto Rico) or not?

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Foreign-born Latinos	40	60	--	1

(Asked of total Latinos born outside of the United States who send money back to the country where they were born; n = 316)

69. How often do you send money back to (the country in which you were born/Puerto Rico)?

	Total Latinos
Once a week	5
A couple of times a month	15
Once a month	46
A few times a year	27
Once a year	4
Less often than that	2
Don't know	*
Refused	*

**Q3/68/69 Combination Table**

**Total Latinos; n = 1508; FB Latinos = 829; NB Latinos = 677**

	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos
Latinos born outside of US/Puerto Rico	60	--	100
Regularly send money home	24	--	40
Once a week	1	--	2
A couple of times a month	4	--	6
Once a month	11	--	18
A few times a year	6	--	11
Once a year	1	--	2
Less often than that	1	--	1
Do not send money home	36	--	60
Born in the US	40	100	--
Don't know	*	--	--
Refused	*	--	--

(Asked of total Latinos born outside of the United States who send money back to the country where they were born; n = 316)

69a. On average, how much money do you send?

	Total Latinos
Less than \$200	51
Less than \$100	14
\$100 to \$200	37
\$200 but less than \$400	26
\$200 to \$300	19
\$300 to \$400	7
\$400 or more	17
\$400 to \$500	8
More than \$500	10
Don't know	3
Refused	2

**Q3/68/69a Combination Table**

**Total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829**

	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos
Latinos born outside of US/Puerto Rico	60	--	100
Regularly send money home	24	--	40
Less than \$100	3	--	6
\$100 to \$200	9	--	15
\$200 to \$300	4	--	7
\$300 to \$400	2	--	3
\$400 to \$500	2	--	3
More than \$500	2	--	4
Do not send money home	36	--	60
Born in the US	40	100	--
Don't know	*	--	--
Refused	*	--	--

(Asked of total Latinos born outside of the United States who send money back to the country where they were born; n = 316)

69b. In general, how do you send the money? Do you use...?

	A wire transfer company like Western Union or Money Gram	A bank	A credit union	The mail	Someone takes it by hand	Don't know	Refused
Total Latinos	70	11	2	7	10	*	*

**Q3/68/69b Combination Table**

**Total Latinos; n = 1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829**

	<b>Total Latinos</b>	<b>Native-born Latinos</b>	<b>Foreign-born Latinos</b>
Latinos born outside of US/Puerto Rico	60	--	100
Regularly send money home	24	--	40
A wire transfer company	17	--	28
A bank	3	--	4
A credit union	*	--	1
The mail	2	--	3
Someone takes it by hand	2	--	4
Do not send money home	36	--	60
Born in the US	40	100	--
Don't know	*	--	--
Refused	*	--	--

**M. DEMOGRAPHICS**

(Asked of total who are US citizens; total = 2866, Latinos = 1913; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 276 NL Whites = 1193; NL Blacks = 610)

**D1. Some people are registered to vote and others are not. Are you currently registered to vote at your present address?**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Not a citizen</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	81	18	*	1	*
Total Latinos	75	25	--	*	1
Native-born Latinos	75	25	--	*	*
Foreign-born Latinos	75	24	--	*	1
Non-Latino Whites	82	18	*	*	*
Non-Latino Blacks	85	15	*	*	--

**Total respondents**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Not a citizen</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	77	17	5	*	*
Total Latinos	44	15	41	*	*
Native-born Latinos	75	25	--	*	*
Foreign-born Latinos	24	8	68	*	*
Non-Latino Whites	82	18	*	*	*
Non-Latino Blacks	85	15	*	*	--

(Asked of total who are US citizens; total = 2866, Latinos = 1913; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 276; NL Whites = 1193; NL Blacks = 610)

**D2. Have you ever voted in an election in the U.S., or not?**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	84	16	*	*
Total Latinos	70	30	*	1
Native-born Latinos	71	28	*	1
Foreign-born Latinos	67	32	--	1
Non-Latino Whites	86	14	--	*
Non-Latino Blacks	83	17	--	--

**D3. In politics today, do you consider yourself a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or something else?**

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Something else	Don't Know	Refused
Total	26	32	26	11	3	2
Total Latinos	15	31	29	8	12	5
Native-born Latinos	18	41	25	9	5	3
Foreign-born Latinos	13	24	33	7	18	6
Non-Latino Whites	31	27	28	11	2	2
Non-Latino Blacks	6	64	15	10	3	2

(Asked of total independents; total = 1197, Latinos = 542; NB Latinos = 213; FB Latinos = 329; NL Whites = 453; NL Blacks = 152)

**D4. Do you consider yourself closer to the Republican party or the Democratic party?**

	Republican	Democrat	Neither	Other	Don't Know	Refused
Total	31	37	25	*	6	1
Total Latinos	25	26	42	1	6	1
Native-born Latinos	31	33	29	1	5	1
Foreign-born Latinos	21	21	50	*	7	*
Non-Latino Whites	35	38	20	*	6	1
Non-Latino Blacks	13	53	29	2	3	*

## Leaned Party Table

	Republican	Democrat	Independent	Other	Don't know	Refused
Total	37	45	8	4	3	2
Total Latinos	24	40	15	3	12	5
Native-born Latinos	29	52	8	4	5	3
Foreign-born Latinos	21	33	20	3	18	6
Non-Latino Whites	44	41	7	4	2	2
Non-Latino Blacks	10	77	4	4	3	2

**D5. Are you currently married, living with a partner, widowed, divorced, separated, or have you never been married?**

	Married	Living with a partner	Widowed	Divorced	Separated	Never been married	Refused
Total	53	5	8	10	3	20	1
Total Latinos	54	7	4	6	5	22	1
Native-born Latinos	48	6	5	8	3	30	*
Foreign-born Latinos	58	8	4	4	7	18	1
Non-Latino Whites	55	5	9	10	2	17	1
Non-Latino Blacks	39	5	8	12	4	32	1

**D6. Including yourself, how many people live in your household?**

	1	2	3	4	5	6+	Refused
Total	18	32	19	17	8	6	1
Total Latinos	9	18	21	25	14	13	1
Native-born Latinos	11	22	20	24	11	12	*
Foreign-born Latinos	7	15	21	25	17	14	1
Non-Latino Whites	19	35	18	15	7	5	*
Non-Latino Blacks	20	25	21	18	10	5	1

**D7. Including yourself, how many people living in your household are 18 and over?**

	1	2	3	4	5	6+	Refused
Total	23	55	14	6	1	1	1
Total Latinos	16	54	17	9	2	1	1
Native-born Latinos	18	53	18	8	2	1	*
Foreign-born Latinos	15	54	17	9	3	2	1
Non-Latino Whites	23	56	13	6	1	1	*
Non-Latino Blacks	33	44	17	3	1	1	1

**D8. Including yourself, how many adults in your household are currently employed?**

	None	1	2	3	4	5	6+	Refused
Total	19	32	36	9	3	*	*	1
Total Latinos	9	36	37	11	5	1	1	1
Native-born Latinos	9	34	40	12	3	*	1	1
Foreign-born Latinos	9	37	36	11	5	1	1	1
Non-Latino Whites	21	32	35	8	3	*	*	1
Non-Latino Blacks	23	31	36	7	1	1	--	1

**D9. What is your employment status? Are you...(READ LIST)?**

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
Employed	66	73	75	71	65	60
Part-time	12	17	17	16	12	9
Full-time	53	57	58	55	53	51
Not employed	34	26	24	28	34	40
A homemaker or stay at home parent	6	11	5	16	6	5
Retired	16	5	7	4	18	15
A student	4	4	6	2	3	7
Unemployed	2	3	2	3	2	3
Laid off	1	1	1	*	1	3
Disabled	5	3	2	3	4	7
Don't know	*	*	*	*	*	--
Refused	1	*	*	1	1	*

**D10. What is your religious preference? Are you Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, some other religion, or no religion?**

	Protestant	Catholic	Jewish	Some other religion	No religion	Refused
Total	34	27	1	25	12	2
Total Latinos	7	68	*	14	9	1
Native-born Latinos	10	57	1	20	10	1
Foreign-born Latinos	6	75	*	10	8	1
Non-Latino Whites	40	23	1	21	13	1
Non-Latino Blacks	30	7	--	51	9	3

(Asked of total who are some other religion; total = 803, Latinos = 228; NB Latinos = 138; FB Latinos = 90; NL Whites = 236; NL Blacks = 299)

**D11. Do you consider yourself a Christian?**

	Yes	No	Refused
Total	84	15	1
Total Latinos	89	11	*
Native-born Latinos	91	9	1
Foreign-born Latinos	87	13	--
Non-Latino Whites	84	15	1
Non-Latino Blacks	91	9	1

**D10/D11 SUMMARY TABLE WITH NETS**

	---Protestant/Other Christian---			Catholic	Jewish	Some other religion	No religion	Refused
	NET	Protestant	Other Christian					
Total	55	34	21	27	1	4	12	2
Total Latinos	20	7	13	68	*	2	9	1
Native-born Latinos	28	10	18	57	1	2	10	1
Foreign-born Latinos	15	6	9	75	*	1	8	1
Non-Latino Whites	58	40	18	23	1	3	13	1
Non-Latino Blacks	76	30	46	7	--	5	9	3

(Asked of Protestants and Christians; total = 1523, Latinos = 317; NB Latinos = 192; FB Latinos = 125; NL Whites = 698; NL Blacks = 463)

**D12. Would you consider yourself a born-again or evangelical Christian, or not?**

	Yes	No	Refused
Total	58	40	2
Total Latinos	67	31	2
Native-born Latinos	65	32	3
Foreign-born Latinos	71	28	1
Non-Latino Whites	55	42	3
Non-Latino Blacks	70	28	1

**D13. What is the last grade or class that you completed in school?**

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
High school graduate or less	52	73	56	84	49	57
Less than high school graduate	17	43	24	55	13	21
None, or grade 1-8	4	20	5	30	2	3
High school incomplete	12	23	20	25	11	18
High school graduate +	35	30	32	29	36	36
High school graduate	30	26	26	26	31	33
GED	1	2	3	1	1	2
Business, technical/vocational school	3	2	2	2	4	2
Some college or more	47	26	43	15	51	42
Some college, no 4 year degree	23	17	29	8	24	27
College graduate +	24	9	14	6	27	15
College graduate	16	7	10	5	18	10
Post-graduate training	8	2	4	2	9	4
Refused	1	1	*	2	*	1

**D14. What is your age?**

	18-29	30-39	40-54	55+	65+	Refused
Total	21	18	30	29	16	2
Total Latinos	34	26	24	14	7	2
Native-born Latinos	36	23	25	13	7	2
Foreign-born Latinos	32	27	24	14	7	2
Non-Latino Whites	18	16	32	32	19	2
Non-Latino Blacks	24	22	29	23	11	2

**D14a. Do you have a computer at home, or not?**

	Yes	No	Don't know	Refused
Total	71	29	--	*
Total Latinos	54	45	--	*
Native-born Latinos	69	31	--	*
Foreign-born Latinos	45	55	--	*
Non-Latino Whites	75	25	--	*
Non-Latino Blacks	57	42	--	*

(Asked of total who have computers; total = 2345, Latinos = 917; NB Latinos = 491; FB Latinos = 425; NL Whites = 943; NL Blacks = 396)

**D14b. Do any of the computers have Internet Access?**

	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
Total	87	12	1	--
Total Latinos	76	24	--	--
Native-born Latinos	79	21	--	--
Foreign-born Latinos	73	27	--	--
Non-Latino Whites	89	11	1	--
Non-Latino Blacks	82	16	1	--

**D14a/14b Combination Table**

	<b>Have a computer at home</b>			<b>Do not have a computer at home</b>	<b>Don't know</b>	<b>Refused</b>
	<b>NET</b>	<b>Have Internet access</b>	<b>Do not have Internet access</b>			
Total	71	62	9	29	--	*
Total Latinos	54	41	13	45	--	*
Native-born Latinos	69	55	15	31	--	*
Foreign-born Latinos	45	32	12	55	--	*
Non-Latino Whites	75	66	8	25	--	*
Non-Latino Blacks	57	47	9	42	--	*

**D15. Is your total annual household income from all sources, and before taxes:**

	Total	Total Latinos	Native-born Latinos	Foreign-born Latinos	Non-Latino Whites	Non-Latino Blacks
Less than \$30K (NET)	29	44	31	52	25	40
Less than \$5K	2	4	2	5	1	4
\$5K but less than \$10K	3	4	2	5	3	6
\$10K but less than \$15K	4	8	5	10	3	3
\$15K but less than \$20K	5	7	5	8	5	7
\$20K but less than \$25K	6	9	6	10	5	8
\$25K but less than \$30K	6	10	9	10	6	9
Less than \$30K (unspecified)	2	3	2	4	2	2
\$30K to less than \$50K (NET)	24	22	25	20	25	23
\$30K but less than \$35K	7	7	7	7	7	7
\$35K but less than \$40K	7	7	8	6	7	8
\$40K but less than \$45K	5	4	5	3	5	5
\$45K but less than \$50K	5	3	4	2	5	3
\$30K to less than \$50K (unspec)	1	1	1	1	1	1
\$50K+ (NET)	37	18	30	11	41	27
\$50K but less than \$60K	10	6	8	4	11	8
\$60K but less than \$75K	8	3	6	1	8	8
\$75K but less than \$100K	8	5	9	2	10	6
\$100K but less than \$150K	6	3	4	1	6	4
\$150K but less than \$200K	1	1	*	1	1	1
\$200K+	2	1	1	*	2	1
\$50K+ (unspecified)	2	1	1	1	3	1
Don't Know	3	10	7	12	2	3
Refused	7	6	7	6	7	6

**D16. INTERVIEWER: In what language did the respondent complete the interview: Only Spanish, more Spanish than English, both equally, more English than Spanish, or only English?**

	Predominately Spanish			Both equally	Predominately English		
	NET	Only Spanish	More Spanish than English		NET	More English than Spanish	Only English
Total	6	6	*	*	94	*	94
Total Latinos	49	48	1	*	51	1	49
Native-born Latinos	9	8	1	1	91	1	89
Foreign-born Latinos	76	74	1	*	24	1	23
Non-Latino Whites	*	*	--	--	100	*	100
Non-Latino Blacks	1	*	*	*	99	*	99

## Record Gender

	Male	Female
Total	48	52
Total Latinos	51	49
Native-born Latinos	52	48
Foreign-born Latinos	50	50
Non-Latino Whites	48	52
Non-Latino Blacks	44	56

## Census Region

	Northeast	North Central	South	West
Total	21	25	38	16
Total Latinos	16	9	39	36
Native-born Latinos	11	9	43	37
Foreign-born Latinos	19	9	36	36
Non-Latino Whites	22	29	36	14
Non-Latino Blacks	18	19	56	7

## Metro Status

	Urban	Suburban	Rural
Total	50	26	24
Total Latinos	69	21	10
Native-born Latinos	66	21	14
Foreign-born Latinos	71	21	8
Non-Latino Whites	45	28	28
Non-Latino Blacks	63	20	17

## Primary Language

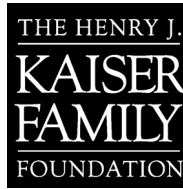
**Total Latinos; n=1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829**

	English dominant	Bilingual	Spanish dominant
Total Latinos	27	33	40
Native-born Latinos	57	41	2
Foreign-born Latinos	7	28	65

## Generation (those born in Puerto Rico are considered foreign born)

**Total Latinos; n=1508; NB Latinos = 677; FB Latinos = 829**

	Generation 1 (inc PR)	Generation 2	Generation 3
Total Latinos	60	21	18
Native-born Latinos	--	52	45
Foreign-born Latinos	100	--	--



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