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Methodology

The *Washington Post*/Kaiser Family Foundation Survey Project is a partnership and an experiment in combining survey research and reporting to better inform the public. The Black Women in America survey, the 23rd in this partnership series, was conducted by telephone from October 6 to November 2, 2011 among a representative random sample of 1,936 adults ages 18 and older. The survey included a large oversample of African Americans (see table below) to enable accurate analysis of subgroups of this population. Results shown in the topline's total column, however, represent the opinions of the country as a whole and are adjusted so that black respondents are represented in proportion to their actual share of the population. For the purposes of this survey, respondents who self-identified as both black and Hispanic were included in the results for black wo/men. Telephone interviews conducted by landline and cell phone were carried out in English and Spanish by Social Science Research Solutions (SSRS).

<i>Population</i>	<i>Number interviewed</i>	<i>Margin of sampling error*</i>
Total	1,936	± 4 percentage points
Black women	808	± 5 percentage points
Black men	301	± 8 percentage points
White women	400	± 6 percentage points
White men	298	± 7 percentage points

*Note that sampling error is only one of many potential sources of error in this or any other public opinion poll.

Representatives of *The Washington Post* and the Kaiser Family Foundation worked together to develop the survey questionnaire and analyze the results. Each organization bears the sole responsibility for the work that appears under its name. The project team from the Kaiser Family Foundation included: Mollyann Brodie, senior vice president for executive operations and director of public opinion and survey research; Claudia Deane, associate director; Bianca DiJulio, senior survey analyst; and Cara James, director of the Disparities Policy Project. The project team from *The Washington Post* included: Jon Cohen, director of polling; Peyton Craighill, polling manager; and Scott Clement, polling analyst.

The majority of trends in the document are from the 2006 *Washington Post*/Kaiser Family Foundation/Harvard University African American Men Survey of 2,864 randomly selected adults (<http://www.kff.org/kaiserpolls/7526.cfm>). For that survey, the overall margin of sampling error was plus or minus 4 percentage points. Other trends in the document come from national random sample polls by *The Washington Post* or the Kaiser Family Foundation unless otherwise noted.

Full information about the survey is available at <http://www.kff.org/kaiserpolls/8271.cfm>.

Please note: (1) Table percentages may not add to 100% due to rounding. (2) Values less than 0.5% are indicated by an asterisk (*). (3) "vol." indicates that a response was volunteered by respondent and not an explicitly offered choice.

1. How satisfied are you with your life as a whole these days? Would you say you are very satisfied, somewhat satisfied, not-too-satisfied, or not satisfied at all?

	----- Satisfied -----			----- Dissatisfied -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all	
All							
11/02/11	86	50	37	13	9	4	1
4/29/06	90	56	34	9	7	2	1
Black women							
11/02/11	85	51	34	15	9	5	*
4/29/06	84	46	38	16	11	5	*
White women							
11/02/11	90	50	40	10	7	3	*
4/29/06	90	59	31	9	8	1	*
Black men							
11/02/11	83	46	37	15	11	4	2
4/29/06	84	47	37	16	11	5	*
White men							
11/02/11	85	48	38	13	9	4	1
4/29/06	92	54	38	6	4	2	1

2. What is the SINGLE most important problem facing you in your life these days?

	-- All --		Black women		White	Black	White
	2011	2006*	2011	2006	women	Men	Men
Money NET	27	27	33	36	33	30	22
Bills	1	2	2	*	1	1	1
Student loans	1	*	-	-	1	-	1
Debt/Credit issues	*	*	*	1	-	1	1
Financial issues/problems/ difficulties	9	9	14	9	13	14	7
Saving money	*	*	*	-	-	-	-
Cost of living/income	2	3	2	5	2	2	1
Retirement	2	2	1	-	2	-	3
Money (General)	11	12	13	21	12	13	8
Other money	1	NA	1	NA	1	-	1
Career NET	7	7	7	11	4	7	10
Job advancement	*	*	1	-	-	-	-
Finding a job/getting a job	1	3	2	2	*	1	1
Job security/satisfaction	1	1	*	2	1	1	2
Work/Career (General)	1	2	*	7	*	1	1
Work/life balance	2	NA	*	NA	1	*	2
No job/lost job	2	NA	3	NA	1	2	2
Other career	1	NA	1	NA	*	1	2
Health Issues NET	13	13	12	6	14	6	13
Getting older/Aging/Disabled	2	2	2	2	3	*	3
Insurance and Prescription costs	1	1	*	*	1	*	1
Health (General)	6	9	5	3	6	5	5

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	-- All --		Black women		White women	Black Men	White Men
	2011	2006*	2011	2006			
Mentions of specific medical conditions	1	NA	3	NA	2	*	1
Other health issues	2	NA	1	NA	2	*	2
Family and Relationships NET	4	11	5	9	7	4	1
Raising Children/Childcare/							
Having a baby	*	6	1	5	1	-	1
Love life/boyfriend/soulmate	-	1	-	*	-	-	-
Aging parents/siblings/spouse/							
Losing loved ones	*	1	*	1	1	*	*
Relationships (General)	*	3	*	3	1	*	*
Well being of family members	1	NA	1	NA	2	*	-
Other family and relationships	2	NA	3	NA	2	3	*
College/Education Issues NET	5	4	3	4	4	5	5
Choosing a college/school	-	*	-	-	-	-	-
Passing classes/getting good grades/							
keeping up with classwork	*	*	1	*	-	1	1
Paying for college	1	1	*	2	*	-	1
Getting through college/graduating	1	*	-	1	2	1	-
College/School/Education (General)	3	2	1	2	2	3	3
Other college/education issues	*	NA	1	NA	-	*	*
Miscellaneous NET	6	6	4	6	5	6	6
Crime	*	1	*	*	-	1	*
Life (general)	1	1	1	-	*	1	1
Stress	1	NA	*	NA	1	2	*
Time pressures/management	2	4	*	1	3	*	2
Future	*	*	-	1	*	1	*
Spirituality/Morality/							
General decline	*	*	1	4	*	*	1
Alcoholism and Drugs	*	*	*	-	*	-	1
Other social issues (general)	1	NA	1	NA	*	1	1
National/International conditionsNET	21	6	15	4	18	21	24
Bush/Politicians/Obama	1	1	*	-	1	-	2
War/Iraq	*	1	-	2	-	-	-
Terrorism	-	1	-	2	-	-	-
The economy/deficit/inflation	8	2	6	-	9	6	9
Gas prices	1	*	-	-	-	1	1
Unemployment/No jobs	4	1	3	-	3	5	4
Politics (General)	1	1	*	-	1	2	1
Dissatisfied with politics	-	*	-	-	-	-	-
Economic situation (general)	1	NA	2	NA	1	3	1
Employment	1	NA	2	NA	1	1	1
Housing market	2	NA	1	NA	1	2	1
Government	1	NA	*	NA	*	*	3
Current status of our country	1	NA	*	NA	1	*	1
Other national/international conditions	1	NA	1	NA	1	*	1
Other	4	7	4	7	3	8	5
None/No problems	10	15	16	11	9	13	9
No opinion	4	5	2	6	4	3	5

*Pew Research Center

3. I'm going to read you a list of some things that different people value in their lives. Some people say these things are important to them. Other people say they are not important. Please tell me how important each thing is to you personally. How about (INSERT)? Is that very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not important at all?

a. Being successful in a career

	NET	----- Important ----- Very	----- Somewhat	NET	----- Not important ----- Not too	----- Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	87	54	33	12	7	5	1
4/29/06	87	53	34	12	7	5	*
Black women							
11/02/11	88	68	20	11	7	3	1
4/29/06	91	67	24	8	4	4	*
White women							
11/02/11	82	45	37	17	10	7	1
4/29/06	84	42	42	16	9	7	*
Black men							
11/02/11	95	78	17	4	3	1	1
4/29/06	94	76	18	6	4	2	1
White men							
11/02/11	91	51	40	8	5	3	1
4/29/06	90	56	34	10	5	5	*

b. Having enough free time to do things you want to do

	NET	----- Important ----- Very	----- Somewhat	NET	----- Not important ----- Not too	----- Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	94	57	37	6	4	2	*
4/29/06	94	63	31	6	5	1	*
Black women							
11/02/11	92	62	30	7	6	1	1
4/29/06	93	64	29	7	5	2	*
White women							
11/02/11	95	55	40	5	4	1	1
4/29/06	92	57	35	7	5	2	1
Black men							
11/02/11	91	61	30	7	6	2	2
4/29/06	93	68	25	7	5	2	*
White men							
11/02/11	95	57	38	5	5	1	-
4/29/06	97	65	32	3	2	1	-

c. Being married

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	75	51	24	24	14	10	1
4/29/06	76	56	20	24	14	10	*
Black women							
11/02/11	67	40	27	32	19	14	*
4/29/06	67	39	28	32	14	18	1
White women							
11/02/11	77	55	21	23	12	11	*
4/29/06	71	50	21	29	16	13	*
Black men							
11/02/11	74	47	27	25	19	6	1
4/29/06	77	52	25	22	12	10	1
White men							
11/02/11	79	54	25	20	10	9	1
4/29/06	83	61	22	16	12	4	*

d. Living a religious life

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	78	52	26	21	11	10	*
4/29/06	79	54	25	21	13	8	*
Black women							
11/02/11	92	74	18	8	6	2	*
4/29/06	93	76	17	6	4	2	*
White women							
11/02/11	82	57	25	17	10	7	1
4/29/06	84	57	27	15	11	4	*
Black men							
11/02/11	83	70	14	15	12	3	2
4/29/06	91	70	21	9	6	3	*
White men							
11/02/11	73	43	30	27	12	15	*
4/29/06	71	44	27	29	17	12	*

e. Having children

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	82	65	17	16	8	8	1
4/29/06	81	64	17	18	8	10	1
Black women							
11/02/11	79	62	17	19	12	7	2
4/29/06	84	64	20	15	8	7	1
White women							
11/02/11	87	75	12	12	5	6	1
4/29/06	82	63	19	18	7	11	*
Black men							
11/02/11	82	62	20	17	11	6	1
4/29/06	84	63	21	16	9	7	*
White men							
11/02/11	79	57	22	21	11	10	*
4/29/06	83	67	16	16	6	10	1

f. Being wealthy

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	53	12	41	46	35	11	1
4/29/06	53	11	42	47	34	13	*
Black women							
11/02/11	60	22	38	39	29	11	1
4/29/06	61	21	40	38	24	14	*
White women							
11/02/11	46	5	41	54	41	13	*
4/29/06	40	3	37	60	42	18	-
Black men							
11/02/11	60	27	33	40	32	8	*
4/29/06	64	28	36	35	24	11	1
White men							
11/02/11	54	9	45	46	35	11	*
4/29/06	59	9	50	41	32	9	*

g. Being respected by others

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	95	67	28	5	3	2	*
4/29/06	93	66	27	6	4	2	*
Black women							
11/02/11	95	76	19	5	3	2	*
4/29/06	96	78	18	3	2	1	*
White women							
11/02/11	98	74	24	2	2	*	*
4/29/06	96	69	27	4	3	1	*
Black men							
11/02/11	93	72	22	5	3	2	1
4/29/06	92	76	16	7	4	3	*
White men							
11/02/11	93	55	38	7	4	3	*
4/29/06	91	59	32	7	4	3	2

h. Being in a good romantic relationship

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	85	56	30	14	8	6	1
Black women							
11/02/11	76	44	31	23	15	8	1
White women							
11/02/11	84	52	33	15	9	6	1
Black men							
11/02/11	89	63	26	10	6	4	1
White men							
11/02/11	88	60	27	12	7	6	-

i. Being close with your family

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	98	88	9	2	1	1	*
Black women							
11/02/11	98	92	6	2	1	1	*
White women							
11/02/11	99	93	6	*	*	*	*
Black men							
11/02/11	97	90	7	3	2	1	*
White men							
11/02/11	98	87	11	2	*	2	*

j. Living a healthy lifestyle

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	98	77	22	1	1	1	*
Black women							
11/02/11	99	90	9	1	*	1	*
White women							
11/02/11	99	78	21	1	*	*	-
Black men							
11/02/11	98	92	7	2	1	*	-
White men							
11/02/11	98	67	31	2	2	*	-

k. Being physically attractive

	NET	Important Very	Somewhat	NET	Not important Not too	Not at all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	64	16	48	36	26	10	*
Black women							
11/02/11	74	28	46	25	19	7	*
White women							
11/02/11	67	11	57	31	26	6	1
Black men							
11/02/11	69	26	43	30	23	7	*
White men							
11/02/11	61	12	48	39	28	11	-

4. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with the following statement: I see myself as someone who has high self-esteem. Do you agree strongly, agree somewhat, disagree somewhat, disagree strongly or neither agree or disagree?

	NET	Agree Strongly	Somewhat	Neither	NET	Disagree Somewhat	Strongly	No opin.
All								
11/02/11	89	55	34	3	8	5	3	1
Black women								
11/02/11	90	67	22	2	8	6	2	*
White women								
11/02/11	87	43	45	3	9	7	2	*
Black men								
11/02/11	94	72	22	2	3	3	1	*
White men								
11/02/11	91	59	32	2	7	5	1	-

6. Please tell me what one word best describes your impression of... Barack Obama.
Tell me just the one best word that describes him.

	-- All --	Black women	White women	Black Men	White Men
POSITIVE (NET)	52	84	49	76	44
Admirable/admiration/admire	*	1	*	*	*
All right	1	*	*	*	2
Amazing	*	1	*	-	-
Ambitious	*	1	*	*	*
Articulate	*	*	*	*	*
Awesome	*	4	*	3	-
Beautiful	*	*	-	1	-
Best president	*	*	-	*	-
Best/the best	*	*	-	-	1
Brave	1	1	1	*	*
Brilliant	*	1	*	2	-
Capable	1	*	1	-	1
Cares/caring	*	*	1	*	-
Challenged/challenge	1	*	2	-	-
Charismatic	1	2	1	*	2
Committed	*	*	-	*	*
Competent	*	1	-	*	-
Concern/concerned	*	*	*	*	*
Confident/confidence/self-confident	1	3	1	*	1
Cool	*	*	-	2	-
Courageous/courage	1	1	1	1	*
Dedicated	1	*	1	1	1
Determined	1	1	1	1	-
Dynamic/dynamite	*	*	-	*	-
Educated/well educated/highly educated	*	1	-	1	-
Effective	*	*	-	-	*
Empathetic/sympathetic	*	*	*	-	-
Encouraging	*	1	-	*	-
Energetic	*	-	*	*	*
Excellent/excellence	1	2	*	4	*
Exceptional	*	*	-	-	-
Extraordinary	*	*	-	*	-
Fabulous	*	*	-	1	-
Fair/very fair	*	*	1	-	-
Fantastic	*	*	*	*	*
Favorable	*	*	*	-	*
Fine/fine chap	*	*	-	*	-
Genius	*	*	*	*	-
Genuine	*	*	-	-	-
Good job/doing good job	*	*	-	*	*
Good president	*	*	-	*	-
Good/good person/good man	4	3	4	5	2
Great/greatest	1	5	*	1	1
Handsome	*	1	*	-	-
Hardworking/worker	1	*	1	4	-
Hero	*	*	-	*	-
Honest/honesty/honest man	1	1	1	1	*
Honorable	*	*	*	-	-
Hopeful	*	-	*	-	-
Idealistic/idealist	*	*	*	-	*
Important/very important	*	2	1	1	-
Impressive/impressionable/very impressed	1	*	1	*	1
Inspirational/inspiration	1	1	1	1	1
Integrity	*	*	*	-	*

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Intelligent/intelligence	5	10	5	8	4
Knowledgeable	*	*	-	-	*
Leader/leadership/great leader	2	2	2	2	2
Likeable/like him	*	*	1	-	-
Loved him/love him to death	*	*	-	-	-
Magnificent	*	*	-	*	-
Nice/nice man	*	1	*	-	*
Okay	1	1	1	*	1
Optimistic	*	1	-	-	-
Outgoing	*	-	*	2	1
Outstanding	1	1	*	1	*
Passionate	*	*	*	2	*
Patient/patience	*	*	-	*	-
Perseverance/persevering	1	-	1	-	-
Persistent	*	*	*	*	-
Phenomenal	*	1	-	*	-
Positive	*	-	-	*	*
Power/powerful	*	1	1	1	*
President/presidential	1	1	2	2	1
Qualified	*	*	-	1	-
Resilient	*	*	-	*	-
Respectable/respect	*	1	*	2	*
Respectful	*	*	*	-	1
Role model	*	*	-	*	-
Satisfied/satisfactory	*	*	*	-	-
Sincere	*	*	*	-	*
Smooth	*	-	*	*	-
Speaker/speaks well/well spoken	*	*	*	-	-
Strong/strong man	1	7	1	1	*
Strong-minded	*	*	*	*	-
Successful/success	1	1	1	1	1
Talented	*	*	*	-	1
Tenacious	*	*	-	-	*
Terrific	*	*	1	*	-
Thoughtful	1	-	*	-	2
Trying/trying hard	2	1	2	2	2
Unique	*	*	-	-	-
Wonderful	*	2	*	*	-
Other positive	8	12	5	14	10
NEGATIVE (NET)	32	8	35	10	43
Arrogant	1	-	1	-	1
Bad	1	1	1	-	1
Clueless	*	-	*	*	*
Communist	*	*	*	-	1
Disappointment/disappointing/ disappointed	3	1	3	*	3
Disaster	*	-	*	-	-
Dissatisfied	*	-	*	-	1
Evil	1	-	1	-	-
Failure/failing/failed/failures	2	1	2	1	3
Fake/faker	1	*	1	-	1
Fraud	*	-	*	-	*
Horrible/horrible leader/horrific	*	*	*	-	*
Idiot/idiotic	*	-	*	*	1
Incompetent	1	-	1	1	2
Inconsistent	*	-	*	-	1
Indecisive	*	*	*	-	1
Ineffective/ineffectual	*	*	*	2	-
Inept	*	-	*	-	1

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Inexperienced	1	-	1	-	1
Lacks confidence	*	-	*	*	-
Leaderless/lacks leadership/not a leader/poor leadership	*	-	*	-	*
Liar	*	*	*	*	1
Loser	*	-	*	-	1
Not good/not too good/not very good	*	*	-	*	-
Not trusted/not trustworthy	*	-	*	-	1
Overrated	*	-	1	-	1
Overwhelmed	*	*	-	-	1
Phony	*	-	*	-	-
Politician	*	-	*	*	1
Poor	*	-	-	*	1
Proud	*	*	-	1	-
Puppet	*	-	-	1	*
Struggling	*	*	1	*	1
Stupid	*	-	*	-	-
Sucks	*	*	1	-	*
Terrible	*	-	-	-	1
Unfavorable/not favorable	*	*	1	-	-
Unimpressive/not impressed	*	-	*	*	1
Unqualified	*	-	1	-	1
Useless	*	-	1	-	*
Other negative	12	4	15	3	15
NEUTRAL (NET)	7	2	5	9	7
Black/African American	*	*	-	*	-
Change	*	*	-	*	-
Confused/confusing	1	*	1	-	*
Different	*	*	-	*	-
Frustrated	1	-	*	-	1
Incredible	*	*	-	1	-
Independent	*	*	1	-	-
Liberal	*	-	*	-	*
Misunderstood	*	-	*	*	*
Socialist/socialism	1	-	*	*	1
Undecided	*	-	1	*	-
Other neutral	3	1	2	6	3
Other	1	1	*	2	1
None	3	1	3	1	3
Don't know	6	3	7	3	3
Refused	*	-	*	-	-

7. Would you say Obama is doing a better job as president than you expected, a worse job, or what? Is that much better/worse or somewhat better/worse?

11/02/11 - Summary table

	----- Better -----			----- Worse -----			As expected (vol.)	No opinion
	NET	Much	Smwht	NET	Smwht	Much		
All	39	14	25	45	21	24	9	6
Black women	77	46	31	8	6	2	10	6
White women	35	8	27	49	26	24	10	6
Black men	76	43	33	9	5	4	8	7
White men	26	8	19	58	25	33	10	5

Trend - All

11/02/11	39	14	25	45	21	24	9	6
1/15/10	33	12	22	35	18	17	30	2
9/12/09	42	18	24	31	13	18	25	2
4/24/09	54	25	29	18	10	9	23	4
2/22/09	46	18	28	14	8	7	31	9

8. Please tell me what one word best describes your impression of...first lady Michelle Obama. Tell me just the one best word that describes her.

	-- All --	Black women	White women	Black Men	White Men
POSITIVE (NET)	70	92	73	90	62
Active	1	*	*	1	1
Admirable/admiration/admire her	1	*	1	-	-
Aggressive	*	*	-	-	-
All right	*	*	*	-	-
Amazing	1	1	-	*	-
Ambitious	*	*	*	1	*
Assertive	*	*	-	-	1
Attractive	1	*	1	*	1
Awesome	1	5	2	1	-
Beautiful/beautiful woman/beautiful black lady/beautiful peron	1	2	1	5	1
Bright	*	*	*	-	-
Brilliant/brilliant lady	*	*	-	1	-
Capable	*	-	*	-	*
Caring/very caring	2	2	2	3	3
Charismatic/charisma	*	*	-	*	*
Compassionate	*	*	-	-	*
Competent	*	*	1	-	*
Concerned	*	*	1	-	-
Confident/confidence	2	1	3	1	2
Cool	*	*	-	2	-
Decent	*	*	-	-	*
Dedicated	*	-	1	*	*
Determined	*	-	-	*	1
Dignified/dignity	*	*	-	-	-
Diplomatic	*	*	-	-	-
Down to earth	*	*	-	-	*
Dynamic	*	*	1	1	-
Educated/very educated	1	1	1	2	1
Elegant	1	1	1	*	1
Energetic	1	*	*	*	1
Enthusiastic/enthusiasm	*	*	-	-	1
Excellent/excellence	1	2	1	2	*

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Extraordinary	*	*	*	*	-
Fabulous	*	*	*	1	*
Fair	*	*	*	-	-
Family/family oriented	*	*	*	*	*
Fantastic	1	1	1	*	1
Favorable/favorite	*	*	*	-	-
Fine	*	*	-	-	1
First lady	1	*	*	1	1
Fit	*	*	-	*	*
Friendly	1	*	1	*	1
Genuine	*	*	*	-	-
Good looking	*	-	-	*	1
Good/good person	3	4	2	4	2
Gorgeous	*	*	-	2	-
Gracious/grace/graceful	1	*	2	*	-
Great/greatest	1	2	2	3	1
Happy	*	1	1	-	-
Healthy/health conscious	*	*	-	-	1
Helpful/helped	1	1	*	*	*
Honest	*	*	1	-	1
Humble	*	*	-	*	-
Important/important lady/very important	1	2	1	3	-
Impressive/impressed	1	1	1	2	1
Independent	*	1	1	1	-
Influential	*	*	-	1	-
Inspiring/inspirational	*	2	-	*	*
Integrity	*	*	*	-	*
Intelligent/very intelligent	3	9	4	4	3
Interesting	*	*	*	*	*
Involved	1	*	2	-	*
Kind	1	*	1	*	-
Lady	*	*	*	-	1
Leader/leadership	*	*	-	*	1
Likeable	1	*	1	-	*
Love/loveable/love her to death	*	*	-	-	-
Lovely	1	*	1	*	*
Loyal	*	-	-	*	1
Lucky	*	*	*	-	-
Magnificent	*	*	-	1	*
Mother/good mother	1	-	1	-	-
Motivated	*	-	1	1	-
Nice/nice person/nice lady	3	4	2	1	4
Okay	1	1	1	*	2
Outgoing	*	*	*	1	-
Outstanding	*	1	-	1	-
Phenominal	*	1	-	1	-
Pleasant/pleasing	*	*	-	*	-
Poised	*	*	1	-	*
Positive	*	*	*	*	*
Powerful/powerful woman	1	1	*	1	1
Pretty	1	*	2	-	1
Professional	*	*	-	*	*
Regal	*	*	*	1	-
Remarkable	*	1	-	*	-
Respect/respectful/respectable	1	2	1	2	1
Respected	*	1	1	*	-
Role model/model	*	*	1	-	*
Sexy	*	1	-	*	*
Sharp	*	*	*	-	*

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Sincere	*	*	-	*	*
Smart/very smart	1	1	1	3	*
Sophisticated	*	*	1	*	-
Strong	4	8	6	5	2
Strong minded	*	*	-	*	-
Stylish	*	*	*	-	*
Successful/success	1	1	1	1	*
Supportive/supporting	1	1	1	1	1
Unique	*	1	*	*	-
Very classy/class/classy/high class	3	5	4	3	2
Vibrant	*	*	1	-	-
Wife/housewife/good wife	1	1	*	*	2
Wise/wisdom	*	*	*	*	-
Wonderful	*	3	-	1	1
Other positive	10	11	9	19	9
NEGATIVE (NET)	12	2	13	4	16
Arrogant	1	-	1	-	1
Dislike/disliked	*	-	*	*	*
Fake	1	*	1	*	2
Phony	1	-	1	-	-
Pretentious/pretender	*	-	*	-	*
Racist	1	-	*	-	1
Stupid	*	-	*	-	*
Useless	*	-	*	-	1
Other negative	8	2	9	4	10
NEUTRAL (NET)	3	1	3	2	3
Outspoken	*	*	-	1	-
Pioneer	*	*	-	*	*
Tall	*	*	*	-	-
Unknown	*	-	*	-	1
Other neutral	2	1	2	1	2
Other	1	1	*	*	2
None	4	1	3	1	5
Don't know	10	2	8	2	11
Refused	*	-	-	-	*

9. Overall, do you have a favorable or unfavorable impression of Michelle Obama? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?)

11/02/11 - Summary table

	----- Favorable -----			----- Unfavorable -----			No opinion
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	
All	73	43	30	17	9	8	10
Black women	88	74	14	7	5	2	6
White women	73	38	35	19	11	8	7
Black men	89	76	13	7	6	1	4
White men	67	31	35	23	10	12	11

Trend - All

11/02/11	73	43	30	17	9	8	10
11/15/09	71	45	26	16	8	9	12
3/29/09	76	46	33	16	9	7	8
1/16/09	72	38	34	17	10	7	11
8/22/08 RV	51	26	25	30	14	16	19
6/15/08	48	21	27	29	11	18	23

10. How much, if at all, do you personally identify with Michelle Obama: a lot, some, not too much or not at all?

	--- A lot/some ---			----- Not much/at all -----			No
	NET	A lot	Some	NET	Not too much	Not at all	opinion
All	42	14	28	55	22	33	3
Black women	79	42	37	19	11	8	2
White women	44	9	35	54	24	30	2
Black men	70	49	22	25	13	12	4
White men	26	6	21	70	25	45	4

11. Please tell me whether the following statement applies to Michelle Obama, or not? How about (INSERT)?

a. She is a good mom

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	84	2	14
Black women	93	1	5
White women	89	1	9
Black men	91	1	8
White men	75	2	23

b. She understands the problems of people like you

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	54	34	11
Black women	88	9	4
White women	51	39	10
Black men	84	9	7
White men	44	43	12

c. She is intelligent

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	91	3	5
Black women	98	1	1
White women	95	3	3
Black men	97	2	1
White men	88	4	8

d. She shares your values

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	60	25	14
Black women	87	7	6
White women	63	25	12
Black men	82	12	6
White men	48	33	19

e. She is a good role model

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	80	13	7
Black women	96	2	2
White women	83	13	5
Black men	94	5	1
White men	75	16	9

Changing topics...

12. In general, how often do you experience stress in your daily life -- never, rarely, sometimes, or frequently?

	--- Never/Rarely ---			--- Sometimes/Frequently ---			No opinion
	NET	Never	Rarely	NET	Sometimes	Frequently	
All							
11/02/11	18	3	16	81	35	45	1
4/29/06	20	4	16	79	39	40	*
Black women							
11/02/11	17	4	13	83	42	40	*
4/29/06	21	4	17	78	45	33	-
White women							
11/02/11	13	2	11	87	36	51	*
4/29/06	17	3	14	83	38	45	-
Black men							
11/02/11	24	7	17	76	45	31	1
4/29/06	24	5	19	75	43	32	*
White men							
11/02/11	25	4	21	75	31	44	*
4/29/06	21	3	18	78	38	40	1

13. I'm going to read you a list of things that some people worry about and others do not. I'd like you to tell me how worried you are about each of the following things. Are you worried about (INSERT), or not? Is that very or somewhat worried/Is that not too worried or not worried at all?

a. losing your job

	----- Worried -----			----- Not worried -----			Not working (vol.)	No opinion
	NET	Very	Smwt.	NET	Not too	At all		
All								
11/02/11	33	16	17	53	20	33	14	*
4/29/06	23	8	15	65	20	45	12	*
Black women								
11/02/11	39	22	18	50	16	34	10	1
4/29/06	31	16	15	57	19	38	13	-
White women								
11/02/11	32	14	18	51	19	32	17	-
4/29/06	18	6	12	65	18	47	17	*
Black men								
11/02/11	40	22	18	49	22	27	11	-
4/29/06	39	23	16	55	19	36	7	-
White men								
11/02/11	28	10	18	61	23	37	12	-
4/29/06	21	5	16	70	20	50	9	-

b. not having enough money to pay your bills

	-----	Worried	----	-----	Not worried	----	No
	NET	Very	Smwt.	NET	Not too	At all	opinion
All							
11/02/11	62	31	31	38	19	19	*
4/29/06	51	19	32	49	21	28	*
Black women							
11/02/11	73	38	35	27	12	15	*
4/29/06	61	31	30	39	20	19	-
White women							
11/02/11	64	29	35	36	22	14	*
4/29/06	47	15	32	52	24	28	-
Black men							
11/02/11	66	40	26	34	14	20	-
4/29/06	59	33	26	40	18	22	*
White men							
11/02/11	55	26	29	45	20	24	-
4/29/06	44	12	32	56	22	34	-

c. not getting the healthcare you need

	-----	Worried	----	-----	Not worried	----	No
	NET	Very	Smwt.	NET	Not too	At all	opinion
All							
11/02/11	55	32	23	44	21	23	1
4/29/06	50	23	27	49	20	29	*
Black women							
11/02/11	62	37	25	38	16	22	*
4/29/06	58	37	21	41	17	24	1
White women							
11/02/11	57	31	26	43	22	20	*
4/29/06	45	16	29	54	22	32	*
Black men							
11/02/11	60	35	25	40	18	21	*
4/29/06	60	38	22	41	17	24	-
White men							
11/02/11	47	23	24	52	24	28	1
4/29/06	48	21	27	52	20	32	*

d. you or a family member getting HIV or AIDS

	-----	Worried	----	-----	Not worried	----	No
	NET	Very	Smwt.	NET	Not too	At all	opinion
All							
11/02/11	16	8	8	83	23	60	*
4/29/06	27	11	16	72	25	47	*
Black women							
11/02/11	32	19	14	67	26	41	*
4/29/06	46	30	16	54	24	30	*
White women							
11/02/11	9	2	6	91	22	69	-
4/29/06	24	8	16	77	23	54	*
Black men							
11/02/11	35	21	15	63	18	45	2
4/29/06	52	34	18	47	19	28	*
White men							
11/02/11	11	3	7	89	24	66	-
4/29/06	18	5	13	81	27	54	*

e. being a victim of a violent crime

	----- Worried -----			----- Not worried -----			No
	NET	Very	Smwt.	NET	Not too	At all	opinion
All							
11/02/11	34	13	21	66	32	34	*
4/29/06	40	11	29	59	31	28	*
Black women							
11/02/11	45	21	24	55	27	28	*
4/29/06	52	25	27	48	22	26	*
White women							
11/02/11	34	9	25	66	35	31	*
4/29/06	41	5	36	59	35	24	*
Black men							
11/02/11	42	17	25	58	26	32	*
4/29/06	51	26	25	48	22	26	*
White men							
11/02/11	24	6	18	76	35	40	-
4/29/06	32	7	25	67	32	35	*

f. being a victim of discrimination of any kind

	----- Worried -----			----- Not worried -----			No
	NET	Very	Smwt.	NET	Not too	At all	opinion
All							
11/02/11	34	11	23	65	28	37	*
Black women							
11/02/11	46	22	24	54	28	26	*
White women							
11/02/11	31	5	25	69	31	38	*
Black men							
11/02/11	51	24	27	48	23	24	1
White men							
11/02/11	24	5	19	76	31	45	*

g. providing a good education for your children

	----- Worried -----			----- Not worried -----			No kids	No
	NET	Very	Smwt.	NET	Not too	At all	(vol.)	opinion
All								
11/02/11	50	32	18	36	12	25	13	*
Black women								
11/02/11	58	39	19	32	12	21	9	*
White women								
11/02/11	48	26	22	37	12	26	14	-
Black men								
11/02/11	62	48	14	31	13	18	7	-
White men								
11/02/11	45	26	19	42	13	29	14	-

h. having responsibility for an aging family member

	NET	Worried Very	Smwt.	NET	Not worried Not too	At all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	52	23	29	47	19	28	1
Black women							
11/02/11	46	21	25	53	24	28	1
White women							
11/02/11	51	23	29	47	19	29	2
Black men							
11/02/11	51	27	24	48	16	32	*
White men							
11/02/11	49	15	34	51	20	31	*

i. you or a family member suffering from a chronic illness

	NET	Worried Very	Smwt.	NET	Not worried Not too	At all	No opinion
All							
11/02/11	61	30	31	39	20	19	*
Black women							
11/02/11	62	32	30	37	17	20	1
White women							
11/02/11	63	29	34	37	21	16	-
Black men							
11/02/11	58	29	28	42	21	21	*
White men							
11/02/11	57	24	33	43	21	22	-

14. What do you think matters more for getting ahead in life today: (getting a good education and working hard) OR (coming from money and knowing the right people)?

	Getting a good education and working hard	Coming from money and knowing the right people	Both (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opin.
All	76	20	2	1	1
Black women	78	17	3	1	1
White women	81	16	2	1	1
Black men	80	16	3	*	*
White men	70	27	3	-	1

15. When thinking about personal finance - that is, things like managing money, budgeting and saving for retirement -- what letter grade would you give yourself in terms of how well you understand these issues? An A, B, C, D or F?

	A	B	C	D	F	No opinion
All	31	42	19	5	2	1
Black women	30	41	21	3	4	1
White women	25	47	23	3	1	1
Black men	33	41	23	2	1	*
White men	36	39	13	8	3	*

16. What best describes your employment situation today?

	All	Black women	White women	Black men	White men
Employed full-time	46	42	38	42	54
Employed part-time	11	11	13	12	9
Unemployed/seeking	7	9	7	13	6
Unemployed/not seeking	2	3	3	2	1
A student	6	6	6	8	6
Retired	17	16	21	12	18
Disability	6	9	5	9	5
A homemaker	4	4	6	2	1
No opinion	*	*	1	1	*

18. (IF NOT ON DISABILITY) (Read intro for those who are retired/homemaker: If you were to enter the workforce now,) Do you feel you have all the education and skills you need in order to be competitive in the current job market, or not?

	----- Have skills -----			--- Don't have skills ---			No opinion
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	
Total							
11/02/11	58	43	15	39	19	19	3
2/9/11	57	39	17	42	20	22	1
Black women							
11/02/11	46	32	14	53	30	23	1
2/9/11	39	25	14	61	35	26	*
White women							
11/02/11	55	37	17	42	20	21	4
2/9/11	55	37	18	44	18	26	1
Black men							
11/02/11	55	39	15	43	21	21	2
2/9/11	43	30	12	57	26	32	*
White men							
11/02/11	66	49	17	33	17	15	1
2/9/11	65	48	16	35	17	17	1

19. (IF DO NOT HAVE SKILLS) Do you think it would be very easy, somewhat easy, somewhat difficult or very difficult for you to get the education or skills you need to compete in the current job market?

	----- Easy -----			---- Difficult ----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Very	
All	29	7	21	67	43	24	4
Black women	43	11	32	52	38	13	4
White women	23	5	17	74	46	29	3
Black men	42	12	30	57	46	11	*
White men	30	7	23	61	37	25	9

20. During the past year, have you or another family member living in your household (INSERT), or not?

a. Been laid off or lost a job

	Yes	No	Not applicable (vol.)	No opinion
All				
11/02/11	23	75	2	-
2/9/11	26	71	3	-
Black women				
11/02/11	23	75	1	-
2/9/11	26	71	2	-
White women				
11/02/11	20	78	2	-
2/9/11	20	76	4	-
Black men				
11/02/11	35	63	1	-
2/9/11	33	64	3	-
White men				
11/02/11	17	82	1	-
2/9/11	23	73	5	-

b. Lost health insurance coverage or other benefits

	Yes	No	Not applicable (vol.)	No opinion
All				
11/02/11	21	78	1	*
2/9/11	22	77	1	*
Black women				
11/02/11	23	76	1	*
2/9/11	27	72	1	-
White women				
11/02/11	22	77	1	-
2/9/11	19	81	1	-
Black men				
11/02/11	27	72	1	*
2/9/11	25	74	*	1
White men				
11/02/11	16	83	1	1
2/9/11	17	81	1	*

c. Loaned or gave money to family or friends to help with expenses

	Yes	No	Not applicable (vol.)	No opinion
All				
11/02/11	56	44	*	*
2/9/11	49	51	*	*
Black women				
11/02/11	60	40	1	*
2/9/11	57	43	*	-
White women				
11/02/11	52	47	*	*
2/9/11	46	54	-	*
Black men				
11/02/11	64	36	-	*
2/9/11	63	37	-	1
White men				
11/02/11	54	46	-	-
2/9/11	47	52	*	*

d. Borrowed or received money from family or friends to help with expenses

	Yes	No	Not applicable (vol.)	No opinion
All				
11/02/11	26	73	*	*
Black women				
11/02/11	34	65	*	*
White women				
11/02/11	23	77	*	*
Black men				
11/02/11	32	66	1	1
White men				
11/02/11	21	79	-	*

e. Had any problems paying medical bills

	Yes	No	Not applicable (vol.)	No opinion
All				
11/02/11	25	74	*	*
8/15/11*	26	74	-	1
Black women				
11/02/11	29	70	*	*
White women				
11/02/11	22	78	*	-
Black men				
11/02/11	33	64	2	-
White men				
11/02/11	21	79	*	-

* Kaiser Family Foundation - subgroups "n" too small.

f. Had problems paying your rent or mortgage

	Yes	No	Not applicable (vol.)	No opinion
All				
11/02/11	18	81	*	*
Black women				
11/02/11	27	72	*	*
White women				
11/02/11	12	86	1	-
Black men				
11/02/11	33	66	1	*
White men				
11/02/11	11	89	-	-

g. Had difficulty getting a home loan, car loan, education loan or any other type of personal credit

	Yes	No	Not applicable (vol.)	No opinion
All				
11/02/11	20	77	2	1
Black women				
11/02/11	24	73	2	*
White women				
11/02/11	16	82	2	*
Black men				
11/02/11	32	64	3	1
White men				
11/02/11	16	80	2	1

h. Increased your credit card debt

	Yes	No	Not applicable (vol.)	No opinion
All				
11/02/11	22	76	2	1
Black women				
11/02/11	20	77	3	*
White women				
11/02/11	23	74	2	1
Black men				
11/02/11	20	77	3	*
White men				
11/02/11	16	83	*	1

21. During the past year, have you personally (INSERT), or not?

a. Helped a friend or family member with childcare on a regular basis

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	24	76	*
Black women	36	64	*
White women	24	76	*
Black men	40	60	-
White men	17	83	-

b. Helped an elderly relative or family member on a regular basis

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	41	59	*
Black women	49	51	*
White women	39	61	-
Black men	48	52	-
White men	38	62	-

22. How important a role does religion or faith in God play in helping you get through tough times - very important, somewhat important, not too important or not at all important?

	----- Important -----			----- Not important -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all	
All							
11/02/11	83	62	21	16	9	8	*
2/9/11*	75	55	20	24	9	15	*
Black women							
11/02/11	96	87	9	4	3	1	*
2/9/11	95	88	7	5	2	3	-
White women							
11/02/11	87	66	21	13	6	7	*
2/9/11	78	57	21	21	8	13	*
Black men							
11/02/11	92	79	13	7	2	6	*
2/9/11	87	75	13	13	5	8	-
White men							
11/02/11	76	51	25	24	11	12	*
2/9/11	64	42	21	36	13	23	-

* "tough financial times..."

23. I am going to read a list of things that some people do. For each, thinking about your own values and morals, I'd like you to tell me whether you think it is acceptable or unacceptable? First/next is (INSERT). Is that acceptable or unacceptable? Do you feel that way strongly or somewhat?

a. Romantic relationships between two women

	----- Acceptable -----			----- Unacceptable -----			No opinion
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	
All	49	26	23	45	12	34	6
Black women	34	17	18	59	11	48	7
White women	52	29	22	43	13	31	5
Black men	44	21	23	48	8	40	8
White men	46	25	22	49	13	35	5

b. Romantic relationships between two men

	----- Acceptable -----			----- Unacceptable -----			No opinion
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	
All	45	24	21	49	11	38	6
Black women	30	13	17	64	10	54	5
White women	50	28	22	45	13	31	6
Black men	34	14	20	59	6	53	7
White men	43	23	20	52	10	42	5

c. Abortion

	----- Acceptable -----			----- Unacceptable -----			No opinion
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	
All							
11/02/11	40	17	23	53	13	40	7
4/29/06	41	15	26	53	14	39	6
Black women							
11/02/11	35	12	23	60	16	44	5
4/29/06	34	12	22	61	11	50	5
White women							
11/02/11	40	17	22	55	16	39	5
4/29/06	43	15	28	53	12	41	3
Black men							
11/02/11	37	12	25	51	13	39	12
4/29/06	34	11	23	60	13	47	6
White men							
11/02/11	42	19	23	50	12	38	8
4/29/06	46	18	28	50	15	35	5

d. Having a child without being married

	----- Acceptable -----			----- Unacceptable -----			No opinion
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	
All							
11/02/11	60	26	34	37	19	17	3
4/29/06	64	25	39	35	15	20	1
Black women							
11/02/11	63	23	40	33	18	15	4
4/29/06	65	30	35	32	15	17	2
White women							
11/02/11	60	26	34	38	22	16	2
4/29/06	64	23	41	34	13	21	1
Black men							
11/02/11	65	28	37	30	14	16	5
4/29/06	64	22	42	34	15	19	2
White men							
11/02/11	54	21	33	43	23	20	2
4/29/06	59	22	37	40	18	22	1

e. Marriage between two people of the same sex

	----- Acceptable -----			----- Unacceptable -----			No opinion
	NET	Strongly	Somewhat	NET	Somewhat	Strongly	
All	45	25	20	49	11	39	5
Black women	33	14	19	62	12	50	5
White women	47	28	19	47	14	33	6
Black men	37	16	20	54	8	46	9
White men	43	26	18	54	10	44	3

24. Do you happen to have a family member or close friend who is gay or lesbian, or not?

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	52	47	2
Black women	57	41	3
White women	56	43	1
Black men	48	49	3
White men	46	52	2

25. Now I'm going to mention some groups in this country. For each, please tell me if you think this group as a whole is doing very well, somewhat well, not-too-well, or not well at all. Here's the first/next (INSERT)?

a. White men

	----- Well -----			----- Not well -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all	
All							
11/02/11	86	35	51	9	8	1	5
4/29/06	92	48	44	6	4	2	2
Black women							
11/02/11	88	55	34	7	5	2	4
4/29/06	92	63	29	4	3	1	4
White women							
11/02/11	84	35	50	10	9	1	5
4/29/06	93	53	40	5	4	1	2
Black men							
11/02/11	88	51	36	7	6	1	5
4/29/06	92	66	26	4	3	1	4
White men							
11/02/11	88	27	60	9	7	2	3
4/29/06	93	40	53	5	3	2	1

b. Black men

	----- Well -----			----- Not well -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all	
All							
11/02/11	58	9	49	35	26	9	6
4/29/06	65	14	51	31	25	6	3
Black women							
11/02/11	54	8	46	43	29	14	2
4/29/06	55	12	43	42	30	12	3
White women							
11/02/11	60	9	51	32	24	8	8
4/29/06	67	13	54	29	24	5	4
Black men							
11/02/11	55	11	44	41	26	16	4
4/29/06	56	10	46	42	31	11	1
White men							
11/02/11	56	7	49	39	27	12	5
4/29/06	66	16	50	30	25	5	4

c. White women

	----- Well -----			----- Not well -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all	
All							
11/02/11	88	27	61	6	5	1	6
4/29/06	93	33	60	5	3	2	1
Black women							
11/02/11	89	38	50	6	4	2	6
4/29/06	93	52	41	4	3	1	4
White women							
11/02/11	88	19	69	7	6	1	5
4/29/06	92	28	64	6	4	2	1
Black men							
11/02/11	90	48	42	3	2	1	6
4/29/06	92	51	41	5	3	2	4
White men							
11/02/11	90	23	67	4	4	1	5
4/29/06	96	32	64	2	1	1	1

d. Black women

	----- Well -----			----- Not well -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all	
All							
11/02/11	68	12	56	24	19	4	8
4/29/06	73	16	57	24	22	2	3
Black women							
11/02/11	77	15	63	20	16	3	3
4/29/06	83	25	58	14	13	1	2
White women							
11/02/11	69	10	59	22	19	3	8
4/29/06	75	16	59	22	20	2	3
Black men							
11/02/11	78	23	55	19	18	2	2
4/29/06	82	27	55	16	13	3	2
White men							
11/02/11	64	9	54	28	21	7	9
4/29/06	72	14	58	25	22	3	4

26. Considering everything, do you think it is a (good time) or a (bad time) to be a black woman in America?

11/02/11 - summary table

	Good time	Bad time	Both/mixed (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
All	68	15	4	3	10
Black women	73	15	4	2	6
White women	71	13	4	3	10
Black men	69	20	6	2	4
White men	65	17	4	2	12

Compare to 2006 question which asked about being a black MAN in America:

4/29/06 - summary table

	Good time	Bad time	Both/mixed (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
All	69	17	7	1	6
Black women	44	42	8	1	6
White women	69	16	7	2	6
Black men	60	28	7	2	3
White men	72	13	7	1	6

27. Has having Michelle Obama as the country's first African American First Lady changed YOUR overall impression of black women in America, or not?

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	22	76	2
Black women	41	57	2
White women	15	82	3
Black men	36	61	3
White men	16	83	1

27/27a. Combo Table

	Has changed overall impression			Has not changed overall impression	No opinion
	NET	Better	Worse		
All	22	21	1	76	2
Black women	41	39	1	57	2
White women	15	15	*	82	3
Black men	36	34	1	61	3
White men	16	15	*	83	1

28. (IF WHITE OR BLACK) Which of the following do you identify with more - (being a man/woman) or (being black/white)?

	Being a man/woman	Being black/white	Both equally (vol.)	No opinion
All	86	8	3	2
Black women	60	28	10	2
White women	90	5	3	1
Black men	67	22	9	2
White men	89	6	1	3

29. How many of your close friends are a different race than you--all of them, most of them, some of them, hardly any of them, or none of them?

	All/most/some				Hardly any/none			One (vol.)	No opinion
	NET	All	Most	Some	NET	Hardly any	None		
All	80	5	19	56	19	14	5	*	1
Black women	76	5	23	48	24	12	12	*	*
White women	77	1	16	60	23	17	6	-	*
Black men	84	11	25	48	16	10	6	-	1
White men	78	3	13	62	21	18	3	-	1

30. Have you ever dated someone who was of a different race, or not?

	Yes	No	No opinion
All			
11/02/11	52	48	*
4/29/06	43	57	*
Black women			
11/02/11	50	50	*
4/29/06	41	59	*
White women			
11/02/11	40	60	-
4/29/06	41	59	-
Black men			
11/02/11	68	31	*
4/29/06	59	41	*
White men			
11/02/11	51	49	*
4/29/06	36	64	*

31. Are you married; living with a partner but not married; separated; divorced; widowed or have you never been married?

	Married	Living with a partner	Separated	Divorced	Widowed	Never married	No opinion
All	55	7	2	8	6	22	*
Black women	31	7	4	14	11	33	*
White women	64	5	1	8	9	13	*
Black men	40	10	3	10	3	34	*
White men	60	7	2	7	2	23	-

32. (IF NOT MARRIED) Would you be willing to marry someone of another race, or not?

	Yes	No	No opinion
All	75	21	5
Black women	67	27	7
White women	62	30	7
Black men	80	11	8
White men	82	16	2

33. In your day-to-day life, how often do any of the following things happen to you - very often, somewhat often, once in a while, or never?

a. You are treated with less respect than other people

	----- Often -----			----- Not often -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Once in while	Never	
All							
11/02/11	19	5	14	80	38	42	1
4/29/06	10	3	7	90	30	60	*
Black women							
11/02/11	21	7	14	77	37	41	1
4/29/06	21	6	15	78	33	45	*
White women							
11/02/11	17	3	14	82	40	43	*
4/29/06	6	1	5	93	29	64	1
Black men							
11/02/11	26	7	18	74	42	31	1
4/29/06	28	9	19	71	38	33	1
White men							
11/02/11	15	2	13	83	37	46	2
4/29/06	6	1	5	94	28	66	-

b. You receive poorer service than other people at restaurants or stores

	----- Often -----			----- Not often -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Once in while	Never	
All							
11/02/11	15	2	13	85	35	50	*
4/29/06	10	2	8	89	25	64	*
Black women							
11/02/11	19	4	15	80	41	40	1
4/29/06	24	5	19	76	35	41	*
White women							
11/02/11	12	2	10	88	37	51	-
4/29/06	6	1	5	93	25	68	1
Black men							
11/02/11	29	5	24	70	37	33	2
4/29/06	29	9	20	70	38	32	1
White men							
11/02/11	14	2	12	85	36	49	1
4/29/06	8	2	6	93	24	69	-

c. People act as if they think you are not smart

	----- Often -----			----- Not often -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Once in while	Never	
All							
11/02/11	19	5	14	79	33	46	2
4/29/06	13	4	9	86	28	58	1
Black women							
11/02/11	25	7	19	73	32	42	1
4/29/06	29	12	17	70	28	42	1
White women							
11/02/11	20	4	16	78	36	42	2
4/29/06	7	2	5	92	30	62	1
Black men							
11/02/11	26	10	16	71	37	34	3
4/29/06	35	14	21	64	31	33	*
White men							
11/02/11	11	2	9	88	31	57	1
4/29/06	11	3	8	89	25	64	*

e. People ignore or overlook you

	----- Often -----			----- Not often -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Once in while	Never	
All	17	4	14	81	44	37	1
Black women	21	6	15	78	39	39	1
White women	16	3	14	82	47	35	1
Black men	32	13	20	67	38	29	1
White men	13	2	11	86	45	41	1

34. (IF HAPPENS OFTEN FOR ANY IN Q33) Do you think these things happen mainly because of your (race), mainly because of your (gender) or for some other reason?

	Mainly because of race	Mainly because of gender	Some other reason	Both (vol.)	No opinion
All	11	15	65	5	4
Black women	39	6	45	7	3
White women	3	30	61	3	2
Black men	47	2	41	7	5
White men	1	5	84	3	6

35. Do you think America's economic system is (stacked against blacks), or do you think the system is (fair to everyone)?

	Stacked against blacks	Fair to everyone	Other (vol.)	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
All					
11/02/11	26	50	6	8	9
4/29/06	29	52	4	11	5
Black women					
11/02/11	46	34	2	8	10
4/29/06	49	29	6	9	7
White women					
11/02/11	27	47	6	11	9
4/29/06	26	45	5	17	6
Black men					
11/02/11	42	37	7	4	10
4/29/06	55	28	3	8	5
White men					
11/02/11	22	55	6	5	11
4/29/06	20	69	2	9	1

36. How big a problem is racism in our society today? Is it a big problem, somewhat of a problem, a small problem or not a problem at all?

11/02/11 - summary table

	----- Problem -----			----- Not a problem -----			
	NET	Big	Somewhat	NET	Small	Not at all	No opinion
All	76	28	48	23	16	8	1
Black women	88	50	39	11	8	3	*
White women	77	20	58	21	15	6	1
Black men	86	49	37	13	8	5	1
White men	72	23	49	28	19	9	*

Trend - All

	----- Problem -----			----- Not a problem -----			
	NET	Big	Somewhat	NET	Small	Not at all	No opinion
11/02/11	76	28	48	23	16	8	1
4/25/10	75	33	42	25	19	5	1
1/16/09	74	26	48	26	22	4	*
7/7/96*	89	54	35	11	8	3	1
7/2/96	88	53	35	11	8	3	2
10/6/95	84	48	36	15	9	6	1
9/28/95	83	41	42	16	12	4	1

*7/7/96 and previous: Post-Kaiser-Harvard poll

37. How big a problem is sexism in our society today? Is it a big problem, somewhat of a problem, a small problem or not a problem at all?

	----- Problem -----			----- Not a problem -----			
	NET	Big	Somewhat	NET	Small	Not at all	No opinion
All	67	20	48	29	20	9	3
Black women	80	36	44	18	11	7	3
White women	71	18	54	27	21	7	1
Black men	78	39	38	18	11	7	4
White men	58	12	46	38	24	13	4

On another subject,

39. In general, would you say your health is excellent, very good, good, fair, or poor?

	----- Excellent/good -----				--- Fair/Poor ---			No opinion
	NET	Excellent	Very good	Good	NET	Fair	Poor	
All	80	18	32	30	20	15	6	*
Black women	75	14	27	34	25	19	5	*
White women	82	17	41	24	18	12	6	*
Black men	74	17	29	28	25	20	5	*
White men	82	23	30	29	18	14	4	-

40. Are you, yourself, now covered by any form of health insurance or health plan or do you not have health insurance at this time? (IF NECESSARY: A health plan would include any private insurance plan through your employer or a plan that you purchased yourself, as well as a government program like Medicare or [Medicaid/Medi-CAL])?

	Covered	Not covered	No opinion
All	82	17	*
Black women	81	19	*
White women	89	11	-
Black men	73	26	1
White men	83	17	-

41. In an average week, about how many nights does anyone in your household cook dinner at home?

	None	Less than once	One	Two	Three	Four	Five	Six	Seven	No opinion
All	3	*	3	4	8	14	24	14	29	1
Black women	4	*	3	6	17	18	20	6	24	*
White women	2	1	2	3	8	13	25	18	29	1
Black men	4	*	4	8	12	12	23	5	31	1
White men	3	-	3	3	6	18	24	14	29	*

42. About how often in an average week do you eat a meal from a fast-food restaurant like McDonald's or Burger King?

	Never	Less than weekly (vol.)	One	Two	Three or more	No opinion
All						
11/02/11	31	10	31	13	15	*
3/7/06*	34	25	22	9	10	1
Black women						
11/02/11	23	9	30	20	17	1
3/7/06	29	27	23	9	12	-
White women						
11/02/11	38	8	32	11	11	*
3/7/06	40	27	20	6	6	*
Black men						
11/02/11	20	6	25	27	22	*
3/7/06	25	20	24	12	17	2
White men						
11/02/11	26	11	35	11	15	1
3/7/06	30	24	22	11	12	1

* Pew Research Center

43. In your neighborhood, or the places you usually shop for food, is it generally (difficult) or (easy) to find [INSERT]?

a. fresh fruits and vegetables

	Difficult	Easy	No opinion
All	10	89	1
Black women	17	82	1
White women	10	90	*
Black men	18	80	2
White men	8	91	1

b. affordable groceries

	Difficult	Easy	No opinion
All	22	76	2
Black women	29	69	2
White women	24	74	1
Black men	19	78	3
White men	19	79	1

44. How often, if ever, do you exercise for at least 30 minutes? Would you say every day, a few days a week, once a week, a few times a month, or less often than that?

	Every Day	Few days a week	Once a week	Few times a month	Less often	Never (vol.)	No opinion
All	20	40	12	12	12	3	*
Black women	15	35	11	13	21	4	*
White women	18	41	12	15	12	2	-
Black men	28	39	9	9	13	2	*
White men	19	42	11	13	12	2	-

45. How would you describe your own personal weight situation right now--very overweight, somewhat overweight, about right, somewhat underweight, or very underweight?

	---- Overweight ----			About right	---- Underweight ----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat		NET	Somewhat	Very	
All	40	3	36	54	5	4	1	1
Black women	44	5	39	49	6	5	1	*
White women	44	4	39	51	6	6	*	*
Black men	25	2	24	68	6	5	1	*
White men	39	3	37	55	4	3	1	2

46. (IF OVERWEIGHT) Do you think being (very/somewhat) overweight is having a negative impact on your health, or don't you think it affects your overall health?

	Negative impact on health	Don't think it affects overall health	No opinion
All	61	38	1
Black women	65	34	1
White women	60	39	1
Black men	63	30	7
White men	65	35	*

47. How much if anything, have you heard about Michelle Obama's "Let's Move" campaign against childhood obesity? Have you heard a lot, a little or nothing at all about it?

	A lot	A little	Nothing at all	No opinion
All	35	48	16	2
Black women	51	35	14	*
White women	40	46	13	1
Black men	47	35	16	2
White men	28	52	19	1

I just have a few more questions for classification purposes only...

48. How many children, under age 18, are living in your household?

	None	One	Two	Three or more	No opinion
All	62	14	16	8	*
Black women	51	21	18	11	*
White women	66	15	13	5	*
Black men	59	22	9	11	-
White men	68	11	14	7	*

49. Do you happen to have any grandchildren, or not?

	Yes	No	No opinion
All			
11/02/11	32	68	*
4/29/06	30	70	*
Black women			
11/02/11	38	62	*
4/29/06	37	63	-
White women			
11/02/11	40	59	*
4/29/06	38	62	-
Black men			
11/02/11	36	64	-
4/29/06	29	71	*
White men			
11/02/11	27	73	-
4/29/06	26	74	-

50. (IF HAVE GRANDCHILDREN) Overall, how involved are you personally in your grandchildren's lives? Very involved, somewhat involved, not too involved, or not at all involved?

	----- Involved -----			----- Not involved -----			No opinion
	NET	Very	Somewhat	NET	Not too	Not at all	
All							
11/02/11	84	48	36	16	11	5	*
4/29/06	87	50	37	13	11	2	1
Black women							
11/02/11	92	68	24	7	5	2	*
4/29/06	91	70	21	7	5	2	*
White women							
11/02/11	86	52	34	14	7	7	-
4/29/06	84	48	36	14	12	2	1
Black men							
11/02/11	94	69	25	6	4	3	-
4/29/06	83	52	31	17	11	6	*
White men							
11/02/11	79	35	44	21	16	5	-
4/29/06	87	42	45	13	12	1	1

51. What is your age?

	18-34	30-49 (unsp)	35-49	50-64	65+	No opinion
All	30	1	25	26	17	*
Black women	30	1	30	25	14	*
White women	25	-	24	28	22	1
Black men	39	*	26	24	11	*
White men	31	1	22	28	18	-

52. What was the last grade of school you completed?

	----- H.S. or less -----				-- College grad. --			No opinion	
	NET	8th grade or less	Some H.S.	H.S. grad.	Some College	NET	College grad.		Post- grad.
All	43	4	8	31	28	29	18	11	*
Black women	47	3	13	31	33	20	13	7	*
White women	38	2	6	30	29	31	19	12	1
Black men	57	3	16	38	27	17	12	5	-
White men	40	3	5	32	27	32	21	11	-

54. Do you own or rent your home?

	Own	Rent	Other	Mortgage	No opinion
All	65	30	4	*	*
Black women	46	49	4	1	*
White women	74	20	4	*	2
Black men	45	50	3	1	*
White men	72	25	3	*	-

55. Including yourself, how many adults currently live in your household?

	One	Two	Three	Four	Five or more	No opinion
All	18	58	14	6	3	*
Black women	28	48	15	5	4	*
White women	16	60	16	6	2	1
Black men	28	46	15	7	4	*
White men	14	65	12	4	3	*

56. Were you born in the United States, or in another country?

	United States	Another country	No opinion
All	89	11	*
Black women	91	9	*
White women	95	5	1
Black men	90	9	*
White men	98	2	*

60. (IF BLACK) Were you or either of your parents born in the Caribbean, or not?

	Yes	No	No opinion
All black	11	88	*
Black women	11	89	*
Black men	12	88	*

61. (IF BLACK) Were you or either of your parents born in Africa, or not?

	Yes	No	No opinion
All black	4	95	1
Black women	2	98	*
Black men	5	93	2

78. Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as: (a Democrat), (a Republican), an independent or what?

	Democrat	Republican	Independent	Something else	No opinion
All	33	21	33	8	4
Black women	67	6	20	3	3
White women	32	26	32	6	4
Black men	57	8	25	6	4
White men	25	26	38	7	3

79. (IF INDEPENDENT/OTHER) Do you lean more towards (the Democratic Party) or (the Republican Party)?

	Democratic	Republican	Neither	No opinion
All	29	34	30	7
Black women	50	10	26	15
White women	27	37	26	10
Black men	41	18	37	4
White men	17	44	37	3

80. Would you say your views on most political matters are liberal, moderate, or conservative?

	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative	Don't think in those terms (vol.)	No opinion
All	24	35	33	3	6
Black women	28	34	29	2	6
White women	23	36	32	3	6
Black men	29	33	31	3	4
White men	20	35	38	3	4

62. Which of the following CATEGORIES best describes your annual household income before taxes, from all sources?

	All	Black women	White women	Black Men	White Men
Under \$20,000	16	22	12	22	13
\$20,000 to \$40,000	16	25	16	23	13
\$40,000 to \$50,000	11	11	10	15	12
\$50,000 to \$65,000	10	9	11	6	9
\$65,000 to \$100,000	18	10	22	8	21
\$100,000 or more	17	9	15	15	23

64. If you were asked to use one of the following five names for your social class, which would you say you belong in? upper, upper-middle, middle, lower-middle, lower

	----- Upper class -----				----- Lower class -----			No op.
	NET	Upper	upper-middle	Middle	NET	Lower-middle	Lower	
All								
11/02/11	15	1	14	51	30	21	9	3
2/9/11	18	1	17	43	37	26	11	2
Black women								
11/02/11	12	2	10	44	41	27	14	2
2/9/11	13	2	11	43	43	32	11	1
White women								
11/02/11	15	*	15	60	23	16	7	2
2/9/11	19	1	18	46	34	23	11	2
Black men								
11/02/11	13	3	10	40	46	28	18	*
2/9/11	9	3	6	40	50	31	19	1
White men								
11/02/11	17	1	16	52	29	22	7	1
2/9/11	25	1	24	43	30	24	6	2

65. What, is your religion, if any? Protestant, Roman Catholic, Jewish, some other religion, atheist, agnostic, or nothing in particular?

	All	Black women	White women	Black Men	White Men
Protestant	37	54	40	50	42
Catholic	25	8	24	12	20
Jewish	2	1	3	3	1
Other	16	21	17	15	13
Atheist	2	-	2	1	3
Agnostic	2	1	1	1	1
Nothing in particular	13	14	10	17	17
No opinion	1	2	2	1	1

67. What is your approximate current height?

	5 foot or less	5.1 to 6 foot	6 foot plus	No opinion	Mean (inches)	Median
All	19	67	9	5	66.3	66
Black women	24	71	1	4	64.0	64
White women	25	71	*	3	63.6	64
Black men	11	63	25	1	69.7	71
White men	10	71	17	2	69.5	71

68. What is your approximate current weight?

	124 lbs. or less	125-149	150-174	175-199	200+	No opinion	Mean	Median
All	9	19	21	16	25	10	176.6	170
Black women	9	25	20	16	18	12	167.6	160
White women	18	28	21	8	11	15	152.5	145
Black men	3	10	22	25	37	4	192.5	185
White men	1	8	22	24	39	4	197.2	188

69. (IF OLD ENOUGH TO VOTE IN 2008) Did you happen to vote in the last presidential election, when Barack Obama ran against John McCain, or did you skip that one?

	Yes	No	Too young (vol.)	No opinion
All	79	19	*	1
Black women	82	16	1	1
White women	84	14	-	2
Black men	77	23	-	-
White men	83	17	-	*

70. (IF VOTED) Which candidate did you vote for? Barack Obama, John McCain, Someone else?

	Obama	McCain	Someone else	No opinion
All	57	33	5	6
Black women	92	2	1	5
White women	50	39	5	6
Black men	87	4	1	9
White men	45	44	7	4

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