

Omnibus Poll

December 6-7, 2012



1. Awareness of fiscal cliff negotiations

How much have you heard about negotiations between the president and Congress to come up with a new budget deal before automatic tax increases and spending cuts occur on Jan 1?

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | Party ID | | | Voter Registration | |
|---------------------------|--------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|------------|-------------|------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | Total | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican | Registered | Not registered |
| Heard a lot about this | 50% | 61% | 40% | 30% | 41% | 60% | 75% | 48% | 46% | 59% | 53% | 18% |
| Heard a little about this | 33% | 28% | 39% | 38% | 37% | 32% | 22% | 33% | 35% | 32% | 33% | 35% |
| Heard nothing at all | 11% | 6% | 15% | 17% | 15% | 7% | 2% | 14% | 11% | 6% | 9% | 25% |
| Not sure | 6% | 5% | 6% | 16% | 7% | 1% | 1% | 6% | 8% | 3% | 4% | 22% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | 100% (1,000) | 100% (486) | 100% (514) | 100% (149) | 100% (288) | 100% (425) | 100% (138) | 100% (346) | 100% (371) | 100% (283) | 100% (931) | 100% (69) |

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|---------------------------|--|------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-----------|
| | Total | Heard a lot about this | Heard a little about this | Heard nothing at all | Not sure |
| Heard a lot about this | 50% | 100% | — | — | — |
| Heard a little about this | 33% | — | 100% | — | — |
| Heard nothing at all | 11% | — | — | 100% | — |
| Not sure | 6% | — | — | — | 100% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | 100% (1,000) | 100% (537) | 100% (333) | 100% (91) | 100% (39) |

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2. Favorability towards carbon tax

As part of a new budget deal, is it a good or bad idea to place a "carbon tax" on burning fossil fuels, such as coal, oil, and natural gas?

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | Party ID | | | Voter Registration | |
|----------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | Total | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican | Registered | Not registered |
| Good idea | 31% | 34% | 29% | 36% | 35% | 29% | 21% | 48% | 31% | 8% | 32% | 23% |
| Bad idea | 43% | 49% | 37% | 34% | 33% | 50% | 61% | 17% | 44% | 77% | 44% | 30% |
| Not sure | 26% | 16% | 35% | 30% | 32% | 21% | 17% | 35% | 25% | 15% | 24% | 47% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1,000) | (486) | (514) | (149) | (288) | (425) | (138) | (346) | (371) | (283) | (931) | (69) |

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| | Total | Heard a lot about this | Heard a little about this | Heard nothing at all | Not sure |
| Good idea | 31% | 33% | 33% | 25% | 22% |
| Bad idea | 43% | 50% | 44% | 26% | 3% |
| Not sure | 26% | 17% | 23% | 50% | 75% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1,000) | (537) | (333) | (91) | (39) |

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3. Favorability towards financial transactions tax

As part of a new budget deal, is it a good or bad idea to create a financial transactions tax that would impose a small tax each time a stock is bought or sold?

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | Party ID | | | Voter Registration | |
|----------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | Total | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican | Registered | Not registered |
| Good idea | 35% | 38% | 32% | 42% | 38% | 32% | 25% | 49% | 35% | 15% | 35% | 37% |
| Bad idea | 38% | 45% | 31% | 27% | 29% | 47% | 48% | 19% | 37% | 66% | 40% | 19% |
| Not sure | 27% | 17% | 37% | 30% | 34% | 21% | 27% | 32% | 28% | 19% | 26% | 43% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1,000) | (486) | (514) | (149) | (288) | (425) | (138) | (346) | (371) | (283) | (931) | (69) |

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| | Total | Heard a lot about this | Heard a little about this | Heard nothing at all | Not sure |
| Good idea | 35% | 35% | 36% | 39% | 16% |
| Bad idea | 38% | 47% | 36% | 20% | 3% |
| Not sure | 27% | 18% | 27% | 41% | 81% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1,000) | (537) | (333) | (91) | (39) |

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4. Favorability towards prison reform

As part of a new budget deal, is it a good or bad idea to reform prisons to cut costs, such as early release programs and probation instead of prison for nonviolent offenders?

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | Party ID | | | Voter Registration | |
|--------------------------|-----------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|---------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | Total | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican | Registered | Not registered |
| Good idea | 55% | 60% | 50% | 60% | 55% | 55% | 46% | 60% | 60% | 40% | 55% | 56% |
| Bad idea | 23% | 22% | 23% | 11% | 19% | 27% | 36% | 17% | 19% | 35% | 24% | 11% |
| Not sure | 23% | 17% | 28% | 28% | 26% | 18% | 19% | 22% | 21% | 25% | 22% | 33% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | 100% (1,000) | 100% (486) | 100% (514) | 100% (149) | 100% (288) | 100% (425) | 100% (138) | 100% (346) | 100% (371) | 100% (283) | 100% (931) | 100% (69) |

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|--------------------------|--|------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|--------------|
| | Total | Heard a lot about this | Heard a little about this | Heard nothing at all | Not sure |
| Good idea | 55% | 59% | 59% | 39% | 24% |
| Bad idea | 23% | 25% | 23% | 17% | 6% |
| Not sure | 23% | 16% | 18% | 43% | 70% |
| Totals (Unweighted N) | 100% (1,000) | 100% (537) | 100% (333) | 100% (91) | 100% (39) |

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5. Favorability towards Medicare drugs negotiations

As part of a new budget deal, is it a good or bad idea to let Medicare negotiate cheaper drug prices with drug companies?

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | Party ID | | | Voter Registration | |
|----------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | Total | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican | Registered | Not registered |
| Good idea | 73% | 77% | 68% | 55% | 72% | 79% | 82% | 73% | 73% | 71% | 74% | 56% |
| Bad idea | 7% | 7% | 7% | 8% | 7% | 6% | 5% | 5% | 7% | 10% | 7% | 5% |
| Not sure | 21% | 16% | 25% | 38% | 21% | 14% | 13% | 22% | 20% | 19% | 19% | 39% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1,000) | (486) | (514) | (149) | (288) | (425) | (138) | (346) | (371) | (283) | (931) | (69) |

| | Awareness of fiscal cliff negotiations | | | | |
|----------------|--|------------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|----------|
| | Total | Heard a lot about this | Heard a little about this | Heard nothing at all | Not sure |
| Good idea | 73% | 81% | 72% | 62% | 21% |
| Bad idea | 7% | 6% | 9% | 5% | 4% |
| Not sure | 21% | 13% | 19% | 32% | 75% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1,000) | (537) | (333) | (91) | (39) |

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6. Favorability towards limiting use of contractors

As part of a new budget deal, is it a good or bad idea for the federal government to use fewer private contractors and have federal government employees take over more projects?

| | Gender | | | Age | | | | Party ID | | | Voter Registration | |
|----------------|---------|-------|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|----------|-------------|------------|--------------------|----------------|
| | Total | Male | Female | 18-29 | 30-44 | 45-64 | 65+ | Democrat | Independent | Republican | Registered | Not registered |
| Good idea | 35% | 39% | 31% | 32% | 35% | 37% | 31% | 44% | 32% | 26% | 35% | 34% |
| Bad idea | 35% | 39% | 31% | 28% | 30% | 38% | 51% | 19% | 38% | 54% | 36% | 26% |
| Not sure | 30% | 22% | 38% | 40% | 34% | 25% | 19% | 37% | 30% | 20% | 29% | 40% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1,000) | (486) | (514) | (149) | (288) | (425) | (138) | (346) | (371) | (283) | (931) | (69) |

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| Good idea | 35% | 37% | 38% | 26% | 17% |
| Bad idea | 35% | 41% | 36% | 21% | 1% |
| Not sure | 30% | 21% | 27% | 53% | 81% |
| Totals | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% | 100% |
| (Unweighted N) | (1,000) | (537) | (333) | (91) | (39) |