>Q1< We are conducting a survey about issues facing the state of Florida and hope you will talk to us for a few minutes. Let me assure you before we begin that everything you say will remain confidential. The only person who may hear your responses is my supervisor who may be monitoring this call to evaluate my performance.

We are interested in how people are getting along financially these days. Would you say that you (and your family) are better off or worse off financially than you were a year ago?

<1> BETTER  
<2> SAME  
<3> WORSE  
<8> DON'T KNOW  
<9> Refuse  

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>Q2< Now looking ahead, do you think that a year from now you (and your family) will be better off financially, worse off or about the same?

<1> BETTER  
<2> SAME  
<3> WORSE  
<8> DON'T KNOW  
<9> Refuse  

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>Q3< Now turning to business conditions in the country as a whole--do you think that DURING THE NEXT 12 MONTHS we'll have good times financially, bad times financially or what?

<1> GOOD TIMES  
<2> Both Good & Bad Times  
<3> BAD TIMES
EVALUATIONS OF GOVERNMENT PROGRAMS

>Q4a< Next, we would like your evaluation of some state government programs.

How would you rate social services for the poor? Are they excellent, good, fair, or poor?

<1> EXCELLENT
<2> GOOD
<3> FAIR
<4> POOR

<8> DON'T KNOW/UNFAMILIAR WITH SOCIAL SERVICES
<9> Refuse

>Q4b< How would you rate social services for the disabled? Are they excellent, good, fair, or poor?

<1> EXCELLENT
<2> GOOD
<3> FAIR
<4> POOR

<8> DON'T KNOW/UNFAMILIAR WITH SOCIAL SERVICES
<9> Refuse

>Q4c< How would you rate social services for the elderly? Are they excellent, good, fair, or poor?

<1> EXCELLENT
<2> GOOD
<3> FAIR
<4> POOR

<8> DON'T KNOW/UNFAMILIAR WITH SOCIAL SERVICES
<9> Refuse

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>Q5< How would you rate the maintenance of roads and highways where you live? Is it excellent, good, fair or poor?

<1> EXCELLENT  
<2> GOOD  
<3> FAIR  
<4> POOR  

<8> DON'T KNOW/UNFAMILIAR WITH MAINTENANCE  
<9> Refuse

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>Q6< In general, would you say that law enforcement where you live is excellent, good, fair or poor?

<1> EXCELLENT  
<2> GOOD  
<3> FAIR  
<4> POOR  

<8> DON'T KNOW/UNFAMILIAR WITH LAW ENFORCEMENT  
<9> Refuse

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>Q7< And how about the state colleges and universities in Florida, would you say that they are excellent, good, fair, poor?

<1> EXCELLENT  
<2> GOOD  
<3> FAIR  
<4> POOR  

<8> DON'T KNOW/UNFAMILIAR WITH STATE SCHOOLS  
<9> Refuse

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>Q8< In general, would you say that the public schools, grades kindergarten through twelve, where you live are excellent, good, fair, poor?

<1> EXCELLENT  
<2> GOOD  
<3> FAIR  
<4> POOR
Q9a What about standards in our public schools (K-12)? In the last several years, have they been set at a level that is too low, too high, or at about the right level to be sure that our students are getting a good education?

1. TOO LOW A LEVEL
2. ABOUT THE RIGHT LEVEL
3. TOO HIGH A LEVEL

8. DON'T KNOW/CAN'T JUDGE
9. Refuse

Q9b Do you currently have any children who attend a Florida public school at the high school level or lower? (DO NOT INCLUDE COLLEGES OR UNIVERSITIES)

1. YES
2. NO

8. DON'T KNOW
9. Refuse

******** FINANCIAL PRIORITIES FOR STATE ***************

fpin Now I'm going to ask you some questions about spending by the state government in Tallahassee. Please bear in mind that eventually all government spending comes out of the taxes you and other Floridians pay.

As I mention each program area, tell me whether you think the amount now being spent should be increased, kept at the present level, or decreased.

TYPE <g> TO GO ON

Q10 State highways and road systems

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Do you think spending on these programs should be:

1. INCREASED
Q11< Programs for public schools (K-12)

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Should spending be:

<1> INCREASED
<2> KEPT AT THE PRESENT LEVEL
<3> OR DECREASED
<8> DON'T KNOW/NO FEELINGS
<9> Refuse

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Q12< Programs for state colleges and universities

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Should spending be:

<1> INCREASED
<2> KEPT AT THE PRESENT LEVEL
<3> OR DECREASED
<8> DON'T KNOW/NO FEELINGS
<9> Refuse

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Q13< Programs to protect the environment

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Should spending be:

<1> INCREASED
<2> KEPT AT THE PRESENT LEVEL
Q14< Programs for low income families with children

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Should spending be:

<1> INCREASED
<2> KEPT AT THE PRESENT LEVEL
<3> DECREASED

<8> DON'T KNOW/NO FEELINGS
<9> Refuse

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Q15< Programs to combat crime

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Should spending be:

<1> INCREASED
<2> KEPT AT THE PRESENT LEVEL
<3> OR DECREASED

<8> DON'T KNOW/NO FEELINGS
<9> Refuse

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Q16< Programs for health care services

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Should spending be:

<1> INCREASED
<2> KEPT AT THE PRESENT LEVEL
<3> OR DECREASED
>Q17< Now think about the taxes you pay. From your personal standpoint, please tell me for each tax I read off to you if you feel it is too high, too low, or about right?

[bold]The Florida state sales tax[n]

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Do you think it is too high, too low, or about right?

IF TOO HIGH ASK: Somewhat too high or much too high.

<1> MUCH TOO HIGH
<2> SOMEWHAT TOO HIGH
<3> ABOUT RIGHT
<4> TOO LOW
<5> DON'T PAY THIS TAX

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q18< [bold]The local property tax[n]

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Do you think it is too high, too low, or about right?

IF TOO HIGH ASK: Somewhat too high or much too high.

<1> MUCH TOO HIGH
<2> SOMEWHAT TOO HIGH
<3> ABOUT RIGHT
<4> TOO LOW
<5> DON'T PAY THIS TAX

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q19< [bold]The state gasoline tax\[n\]

READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY

Do you think it is too high, too low, or about right?

IF TOO HIGH ASK: Somewhat too high or much too high.

<1> MUCH TOO HIGH
<2> SOMEWHAT TOO HIGH
<3> ABOUT RIGHT
<4> TOO LOW
<5> DON'T PAY THIS TAX

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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********** MOST IMPORTANT PROBLEMS **********

>Q20< At this point in the survey, I would like to ask you about several issues that some people feel are important to those living in the state of Florida, and in the United States. To begin with, what do you think is the most important problem facing the state of Florida?

Interviewer: [bold]PROBE GENERAL RESPONSES[n]

[magenta]DO NOT READ RESPONSES[n]

<1> Crime <9> Population Growth
<2> Illegal Drug Use <10> Illegal Immigation
<3> Education <11> Migration from other states
<4> Curriculum Quality <12> Health Care
<5> Overcrowded Schools <13> Elderly Care
<6> Lack of School Funding <14> Environment
<7> Poverty <15> Hurricanes
<8> Low Wages
<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<97> NO PROBLEMS
<98> DON'T KNOW
<99> Refuse

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****************Health Care****************

>Q21< Now, turning to issues of health care...
Today, people who receive health insurance benefits may choose between a traditional health plan and a managed care (or health maintenance) plan. In making that choice, who would you primarily rely on to give you advice on your decision? Would you primarily rely on:

[bold]READ RESPONSES AS NECESSARY[\n]<1> Yourself
<2> Spouse
<3> Family member
<4> Personal physician
<5> Clergy
<6> Insurance agent
<7> State insurance commission
<8> State ombudsman

<x> other (specify)[specify]
<98> Don't know
<99> Refuse

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>Q22< If health care beneficiaries make a choice and are unhappy with it, how often do you think they should be allowed to change their choice?
[bold] READ RESPONSES[\n]<1> Monthly
<2> Every 6 months
<3> Yearly
<4> Every other year
<5> Longer than every other year

<8> Don't know
<9> Refuse

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>Q23< Do you have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance, prepaid HMOs, or government plans like Medicare or Medicaid?

<1> Yes [goto Q24]
<2> No

<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

[goto Q26]
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>Q24< What sort of health coverage do you use to pay for most of your medical care?
Employer-paid
Someone else's employer paid
Bought on own
Medicare
Medicaid
Military/VA
Something else (specify)
Don't know
Refused

Q25 In general, How satisfied are you with your current health care coverage?
Very satisfied
Somewhat satisfied
Somewhat dissatisfied
Very dissatisfied
Don't know
Refused

Q26 How many children under the age of 18 do you have that are currently living with you?
NONE
ENTER ACTUAL NUMBER
Refused

Q27 Do your children have any kind of health care coverage, including health insurance, prepaid HMOs, or government plans like Medicare or Medicaid?
Yes
No
Don't know
Refused
>Q28< What sort of health coverage do you use to pay for most of your children's medical care?[loc 2/7]

<1> Employer-paid
<2> Someone else’s employer paid
<3> Bought on own
<4> Medicare
<5> Medicaid
<6> Military/VA

<x> Something else (specify)[specify]
<98> Don't know
<99> Refused

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>Q29< In general, How satisfied are you with your children's current health care coverage?

<1> Very satisfied
<2> Somewhat satisfied
<3> Somewhat dissatisfied
<4> Very dissatisfied

<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

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***************************Child Care***************************

***Youngest Child (child 1)***

>Q30a< How old is your youngest child?

<0> under 1 year old
<1-18> years old
<99> Refused

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>s1< [if Q30a lt <6> goto Q33a]

>Q31a< Is this child in school?

<1> Yes[goto Q32a]
Q32a: Who cares for this child after school?
(Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES![n]
<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
<9> Care for selves (none over 18)
<10> Not working/training yet
<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> DON'T REMEMBER
<99> REFUSED
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Q33a: Who takes care of this child when you are unavailable?
(Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES![n]
<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
<9> Care for selves (none over 18)
<10> Not working/training yet
<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> DON'T REMEMBER
<99> REFUSED
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>Q34a< How would you rate the quality of care this child is getting?
<1> Excellent
<2> Good
<3> Fair
<4> Poor
<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

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>c1< [if Q26 eq <1> goto Q35]

***Child 2***

>Q30b< How old is your next youngest child?

<0> under 1 year old
<1-18> years old
<99> Refused

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>s2< [if Q30b lt <6> goto Q33b]
>Q31b< Is this child in school?

<1> Yes[goto Q32b]
<2> No

<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

==> [goto Q33b]

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>Q32b< Who cares for this child after school? (Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES[n]
<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
<9> Care for selves (none over 18)
<10> Not working/training yet
<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> DON'T REMEMBER
<99> REFUSED
====>[goto Q34b]
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>Q33b< Who takes care of this child when you are unavailable?
(Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES![n]

<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
<9> Care for selves (none over 18)
<10> Not working/training yet

<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> DON'T REMEMBER
<99> REFUSED

====>
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>Q34b< How would you rate the quality of care this child is getting?
<1> Excellent
<2> Good
<3> Fair
<4> Poor
<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

====>
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>c2< [if Q26 eq <2> goto Q35]

***Child 3***
>Q30c< How old is your next youngest child?
<0> under 1 year old
<1-18> years old
<99> Refused

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>s3< [if Q30c lt <6> goto Q33c]

>Q31c< Is this child in school?

<1> Yes[goto Q32c]
<2> No

<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

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>Q32c< Who cares for this child after school?
(Primary care provider)

[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES![n]

<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
<9> Care for selves (none over 18)
<10> Not working/training yet

<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> DON'T REMEMBER
<99> REFUSED

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>Q33c< Who takes care of this child when you are unavailable?
(Primary care provider)

[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES![n]

<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
<9> Care for selves (none over 18)
<10> Not working/training yet

<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> DON'T REMEMBER
<99> REFUSED

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>Q34c< How would you rate the quality of care this child is getting?
<1> Excellent
<2> Good
<3> Fair
<4> Poor
<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

====>
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>c3< [if Q26 eq <3> goto Q35]

***Child 4***

>Q30d< How old is your next youngest child?

<0> under 1 year old
<1-18> years old
<99> Refused

====>
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>s4< [if Q30d lt <6> goto Q33d]

>Q31d< Is this child in school?

<1> Yes[goto Q32d]
<2> No
**Q32d** Who cares for this child after school? (Primary care provider)

[**bold**]DO NOT READ RESPONSES

- <2> SR's mother
- <3> SR's father
- <4> SR's sister
- <5> SR's brother
- <6> Child Care Center
- <7> Friend
- <8> Church
- <9> Care for selves (none over 18)
- <10> Not working/training yet

- <x> Other (SPECIFY)
- <98> DON'T REMEMBER
- <99> REFUSED

[**goto Q33d**]

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**Q33d** Who takes care of this child when you are unavailable? (Primary care provider)

[**bold**]DO NOT READ RESPONSES

- <2> SR's mother
- <3> SR's father
- <4> SR's sister
- <5> SR's brother
- <6> Child Care Center
- <7> Friend
- <8> Church
- <9> Care for selves (none over 18)
- <10> Not working/training yet

- <x> Other (SPECIFY)
- <98> DON'T REMEMBER
- <99> REFUSED

[**goto Q34d**]

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**Q34d** How would you rate the quality of care this child is getting?

- <1> Excellent
- <2> Good
<3> Fair
<4> Poor
<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

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>c4< [if Q26 eq <4> goto Q35]

***Child 5***

>Q30e< How old is your next youngest child?

<0> under 1 year old
<1-18> years old
<99> Refused

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>s5< [if Q30e lt <6> goto Q33e]

>Q31e< Is this child in school?

<1> Yes[goto Q32e]
<2> No
<8> Don't know
<9> Refused

===>[goto Q33e]
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>Q32e< Who cares for this child after school?

(Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES[n]
<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
<9> Care for selves (none over 18)
<10> Not working/training yet
Who takes care of this child when you are unavailable? (Primary care provider)

- SR's mother
- SR's father
- SR's sister
- SR's brother
- Child Care Center
- Friend
- Church
- Care for selves (none over 18)
- Not working/training yet

How would you rate the quality of care this child is getting?

- Excellent
- Good
- Fair
- Poor
- Don't know
- Refused

How old is your next youngest child?

- under 1 year old
1-18 years old
<99> Refused
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>s6< [if Q30f lt <6> goto Q33f]

>Q31f< Is child 6 in school?

<1> Yes[goto Q32f]
<2> No
<8> Don't know
<9> Refused
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>Q32f< Who cares for this child after school? (Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES[n]
<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
<9> Care for selves (none over 18)
<10> Not working/training yet

<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> DON'T REMEMBER
<99> REFUSED
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>Q33f< Who takes care of this child when you are unavailable? (Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES![n]

<2> SR's mother
<3> SR's father
<4> SR's sister
<5> SR's brother
<6> Child Care Center
<7> Friend
<8> Church
Care for selves (none over 18)
Not working/training yet
Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
DON'T REMEMBER
REFUSED

How would you rate the quality of care this child is getting?
Excellent
Good
Fair
Poor
Don't know
Refused

How old is your next youngest child?
under 1 year old
1-18 years old
Refused

Is this child in school?
Yes
No
Don't know
Refused
>Q32g< Who cares for this child after school? (Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES[n]
  <2> SR's mother
  <3> SR's father
  <4> SR's sister
  <5> SR's brother
  <6> Child Care Center
  <7> Friend
  <8> Church
  <9> Care for selves (none over 18)
  <10> Not working/training yet

  <x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
  <98> DON'T REMEMBER
  <99> REFUSED
  ===> [goto Q34g]
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>Q33g< Who takes care of this child when you are unavailable? (Primary care provider)
[bold]DO NOT READ RESPONSES![n]

  <2> SR's mother
  <3> SR's father
  <4> SR's sister
  <5> SR's brother
  <6> Child Care Center
  <7> Friend
  <8> Church
  <9> Care for selves (none over 18)
  <10> Not working/training yet

  <x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
  <98> DON'T REMEMBER
  <99> REFUSED

  ===> 
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>Q34g< How would you rate the quality of care this child is getting?
  <1> Excellent
  <2> Good
  <3> Fair
  <4> Poor
  <8> Don't know
  <9> Refused
How old is your next youngest child?

- Under 1 year old
- 1-18 years old
- Refused

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Is this child in school?

- Yes
- No
- Don't know
- Refused

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Who cares for this child after school? (Primary care provider)

- SR's mother
- SR's father
- SR's sister
- SR's brother
- Child Care Center
- Friend
- Church
- Care for selves (none over 18)
- Not working/training yet
- Other (SPECIFY)
- DON'T REMEMBER
- REFUSED

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Who takes care of this child when you are unavailable? (Primary care provider)

[DO NOT READ RESPONSES!]

[2] SR's mother
[3] SR's father
[4] SR's sister
[5] SR's brother
[6] Child Care Center
[7] Friend
[8] Church
[9] Care for selves (none over 18)
[10] Not working/training yet

[Other (SPECIFY) [specify]]

[98] DON'T REMEMBER
[99] REFUSED

How would you rate the quality of care this child is getting?

[Excellent]
[2] Good
[3] Fair
[4] Poor
[8] Don't know
[9] Refused

How easy has it been to find child care?

[Very easy]
[2] Somewhat easy
[3] Somewhat difficult
[4] Very difficult

[8] Don't know
[9] Refused

*************Explanations for Racial Inequality**************

Now I would like to ask you a few questions about your feelings on racial issues.

On the average, [Blacks] have worse jobs, income, and housing than white people.
Do you think these differences are...

[bold]Mainly due to discrimination?[n]

[green]Interviewers: Do not read responses 7,8,9[n]

<1> Yes
<2> No

[bold]VOLUNTEERED[n]
<7> Don't believe there are differences[goto Q37a]
<8> Don't know
<9> Refuse

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>Q36b< Do you think these differences are...

[bold]Because most Blacks have less in-born ability?[n]

<1> Yes
<2> No

<8> Don't Know
<9> Refuse

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>Q36c< Do you think these differences are...

[bold]Because most Blacks don't have the chance for education that it takes to rise out of poverty?[n]

<1> Yes
<2> No

<8> Don't Know
<9> Refuse

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>Q36d< Do you think these differences are...

[bold]Because most Blacks just don't have the motivation or will power to pull themselves up out of poverty?[n]
>Q36e< Are there any other important explanations for these Black/White differences that have not been mentioned?

<0> No Other Explanations

<x> EXPLANATION MENTIONED (SPECIFY)[specify]

<98> DON'T KNOW
<99> Refuse

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>Q37a< On the average, [bold] Hispanics [n] have worse jobs, income, and housing than white people.

Do you think these differences are...

[bold]Mainly due to discrimination?[n]

[green]Interviewers: Do not read responses 7,8,9[n]

<1> Yes
<2> No

[bold]VOLUNTEERED[n]
<7> Don't believe there are differences[goto Q38a]
<8> Don't know
<9> Refuse

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>Q37b< Do you think these differences are...

[bold]Because most Hispanics have less in-born ability?[n]

<1> Yes
<2> No
Q37c. Do you think these differences are... 

Because most Hispanics don’t have the chance for education that it takes to rise out of poverty?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t Know
- Refuse

Q37d. Do you think these differences are...

Because most Hispanics just don’t have the motivation or will power to pull themselves up out of poverty?

- Yes
- No
- Don’t Know
- Refuse

Q37e. Are there any other important explanations for these Hispanic/White differences that have not been mentioned?

- No Other Explanations
- EXPLANATION MENTIONED (SPECIFY)
- DON’T KNOW
- Refuse

Q38a. Now I would like to know your opinion on capital punishment...
Do you support the Death Penalty?

<1> Yes [goto Q38b]
<2> No

<8> Don't know
<9> Refused
====>[goto Q39]
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>Q38b< Which method of execution do you prefer?

<1> Electric Chair
<2> Lethal injection
<3> Gas Chamber

<x> Other (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> Don't know
<99> Refused
====>
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******* POLITICAL INTERST, INFORMATION, & OPINIONS **********

>Q39< I am now interested in your opinions about national politics and political parties. Please answer these questions as honestly as possible.

Some people seem to follow what's going on in government and public affairs most of the time, and others aren't that interested. How interested are you in the national government in Washington, and national politics--very interested, somewhat interested, a little interested, or not at all interested?

<1> VERY INTERESTED
<2> SOMEWHAT INTERESTED
<3> A LITTLE INTERESTED
<4> NOT AT ALL INTERESTED

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse
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>Q40< How interested are you in the state government in Tallahassee, and state politics--very interested, somewhat interested, a little interested, or not at all interested?

<1> VERY INTERESTED
<2> SOMEWHAT INTERESTED
<3> A LITTLE INTERESTED
<4> NOT AT ALL INTERESTED

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

Q41< Where do you get [green]most[n] of your information about [bold]national politics[n]?
READ RESPONSES
[magenta]Probe: Try to get respondents to refer to only one source of information.[n]
<1> Newspapers
<2> News magazines
<3> Television
<4> Radio
<5> Friends, relatives, co-workers
<6> The internet
<x> Or some other source[specify](SPECIFY)

<97> VOLUNTEERED: DOESN'T FOLLOW NAT'L POLITICS
<98> Don't know/ No opinion
<99> Refuse

Q42< Where do you get [green]most[n] of your information about [bold]state politics[n]?
READ RESPONSES
[magenta]Probe: Try to get respondents to refer to only one source of information.[n]

<1> Newspapers
<2> News magazines
<3> Television
<4> Radio
<5> Friends, relatives, coworkers
<6> The internet
<x> Or some other source[specify](SPECIFY)

<97> VOLUNTEERED: DOESN'T FOLLOW STATE POLITICS
<98> Don't know/ No opinion
<99> Refuse

Q43< How would you rate the job that the Florida legislature in Tallahassee is doing?
Would you say excellent, good, fair or poor?

<1> EXCELLENT
<2> GOOD
<3> FAIR
<4> POOR

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q44< How would you rate the job that Florida Governor Jeb Bush is doing?

Would you say excellent, good, fair or poor?

<1> EXCELLENT
<2> GOOD
<3> FAIR
<4> POOR

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q45< How would you rate the job the United States Congress in Washington D.C. is doing?

Would you say...

READ RESPONSES

<1> EXCELLENT
<2> GOOD
<3> FAIR, OR
<4> POOR

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q46< Some politicians develop reputations as they serve in office. How about the person who represents your district in the U.S. House of Representatives in Washington, D.C.? Do you think the member from your district has a positive or negative reputation, or don't you know what the member's reputation is?

[bold] do not read responses [n]
>Q47< What do you think your member has a reputation for? Would you say:

[bold]READ RESPONSES[n]

<1> The member's partisanship and party attachments
<2> The member's ideology (if asked say reputation as a moderate or liberal)
<3> The issue stands of the member
<4> The members service to the district
<5> The member's trustworthiness
<6> The member's service to special interests
<7> Or something else

<8> Don't Know (Volunteered)
<9> Refuse

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>Q48< In your opinion, what is the most important characteristic an elected official should have to be a good representative?

Interviewer: [bold]PROBE GENERAL RESPONSES[n]
[green]DO NOT READ RESPONSES[n]

<1> Honesty
<2> Integrity
<3> Trustworthy
<4> Caring
<5> Knowledgeable
<6> Represents people's needs

<x> SOME OTHER CHARACTERISTIC--BE SPECIFIC[specify]

<98> DON'T KNOW
<99> Refuse

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>Q49< How well represented in the FEDERAL government are you and people like you? Are you well represented or poorly represented?

IF POORLY: Are you somewhat or very poorly represented
IF WELL: Are you somewhat or very well represented

<1> VERY WELL REPRESENTED
<2> SOMEWHAT WELL REPRESENTED
<3> SOMEWHAT POORLY REPRESENTED
<4> VERY POORLY REPRESENTED

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q50< How much of the time do you think you can trust the Federal government to do what is right?

(READ RESPONSES)

<1> JUST ABOUT ALWAYS
<2> MOST OF THE TIME, OR
<3> ONLY SOME OF THE TIME

<4> VOLUNTEERED: NEVER
<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q51< Thinking now of state government in Tallahassee. How well represented in the STATE government are you and people like you? Are you well represented or poorly represented?

IF POORLY: Are you somewhat or very poorly represented
IF WELL: Are you somewhat or very well represented

<1> VERY WELL REPRESENTED
<2> SOMEWHAT WELL REPRESENTED
<3> SOMEWHAT POORLY REPRESENTED
<4> VERY POORLY REPRESENTED

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q52< How much of the time do you think you can trust Florida state government to do what is right?

(READ RESPONSES)

<1> JUST ABOUT ALWAYS
<2> MOST OF THE TIME, OR
<3> ONLY SOME OF THE TIME

<4> VOLUNTEERED: NEVER
<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q53< How important is it to you to support a particular political party? Would you say:

[loc 4/7]

READ RESPONSES

<1> Very important
<2> Somewhat important
<3> Somewhat unimportant
<4> Very unimportant

<8> Don't Know
<9> Refuse

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>Q54< Do you think there are major differences between what the Republican and Democratic parties stand for, minor differences, or no differences at all?

<1> MAJOR DIFFERENCES
<2> MINOR DIFFERENCES
<3> NO DIFFERENCES

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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***** PARTY ID, POLITICAL IDEOLOGY, & POL. PARTICIPATION *****

>Q55< Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?
REPUBLICAN[n]: Would you call yourself a strong Republican or a not so strong Republican?
<1> Strong Republican [goto Q55a]
<2> Not so strong Republican [goto Q55a]

INDEPENDENT[n]: Do you think of yourself as close to the republicans or closer to the Democrats?
<3> Closer to the Republicans [goto Q55c]
<4> Independent/neither [goto Q55c]
<5> Closer to the Democrats [goto Q55c]

DEMOCRAT[n]: Would you call yourself a strong Democrat or a not so strong Democrat?
<6> Not so strong Democrat [goto Q55b]
<7> Strong Democrat [goto Q55b]

<x> OTHER SPECIFY [specify]
<98> Don't know
<99> Refuse

Q55a< Have you always thought of yourself as a Republican, or was there a time when you thought you were a Democrat, and Independent, or something else?
PROBE: What did you think of yourself as?

<1> Yes, always thought of self as Republican
<2> Independent
<3> Democrat

<x> Something else [specify] SPECIFY
<98> Don't know
<99> Refuse

Q55b< Have you always thought of yourself as a Democrat, or was there a time when you thought you were a Republican or an Independent, or something else?

PROBE: What did you think of yourself as?

<1> Republican
<2> Independent
<3> Yes, always thought of self as Democrat

<x> Something else [specify] SPECIFY
<98> Don't know
Have you always thought of yourself as an Independent, or was there a time when you thought you were a Republican, a Democrat, or something else?

PROBE: What did you think of yourself as?

- Republican
- Yes, Always thought of self as Independent
- Democrat
- Something else [specify] SPECIFY
- Don't know
- Refuse

In politics today, do you think of yourself as a conservative, as middle of the road, as a liberal, or do you not think of yourself in these terms?

- CONSERVATIVE
- MIDDLE OF THE ROAD
- LIBERAL
- DON'T THINK IN THESE TERMS
- DON'T KNOW
- Refuse

At present, are you registered to vote in the state of Florida?

IF NO, ASK: Are you currently registered to vote in another state?

- YES [goto Q58a]
- NO [goto Q58c]
- NO, REGISTERED IN ANOTHER STATE
- DON'T KNOW
- Refuse

Are you registered as a:
Republican
Independent or
Democrat

OTHER (SPECIFY) [specify]
DON'T KNOW
Refuse

Q58b< Did you register to vote at a driver's license bureau, or when you renewed or applied for your driver's license?

Yes
No

Don't remember
Refuse

Q58c< What is the most important reason you are not registered to vote?

DO NOT READ RESPONSES

No reason
Not eligible (Not a resident or citizen)
Inconvenient to register
Purged from rolls and didn't know
New Resident to State
Don't have enough info about registering
Don't like politics/politicians
Vote doesn't matter/doesn't count
Candidates all the same (Crooks, Cheats, etc)

Other (Specify) [specify]
Don't know
Refuse

Q59< Since January of 1998 have you: Attended a political meeting, dinner or rally?

YES
Q60 Have you contributed money to or bought tickets to help a political party or candidate since January 1998?

1. YES
2. NO

8. DON'T KNOW
9. Refuse

Q61 Have you worn a campaign button or put a campaign sticker on your car (since January 1998)?

1. YES
2. NO

8. DON'T KNOW
9. Refuse

Q62 Have you done any other work for a party, candidate, or issue?

1. YES
2. NO

8. DON'T KNOW
9. Refuse

Q63 Since January 1998 have you written a letter to any public officials, giving them your opinion about something?

1. YES
2. NO
Q64 If the presidential election were held tomorrow who would you vote for?

1. John McCain
2. Gary Bauer
3. Alan Keyes
4. George Bush
5. Orrin Hatch
6. Bill Bradley
7. Al Gore
8. Pat Buchanan
9. Donald Trump

x Other (Specify) [specify]
98 Don’t know
99 Refused

Q65a Do you know the candidates running for the Florida Senate elections?

1. Yes [goto Q65b]
2. No

9 Refused

Q65b If the Florida Senate election were held tomorrow, who would you vote for?

x Specify [specify]
97 Unsure who is running
98 Don’t know who they will vote for
99 Refused

Q66 Finally, to be sure we have a representative sample of Floridians, we need to know a few things about your background.

*************** DEMOGRAPHIC CHARACTERISTICS ***************
What is your current marital status?

<1> MARRIED
<2> SEPARATED OR DIVORCED
<3> WIDOW OR WIDOWER
<4> SINGLE

<x> OTHER (SPECIFY)[specify]
<98> Don't Know
<99> Refuse

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>Q67< In what year were you born?

CODE THE ENTIRE YEAR, E.G. 1946.

<1890-1981> BIRTH YEAR

<1998> DON'T KNOW
<1999> Refuse

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>Q68a< Have you lived in Florida all your life?

PROBE: Were you born in Florida?

<1> YES [goto Q69]
<2> NO

<8> Don't Know
<9> Refuse

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>Q68b< In what year did you move to Florida?


<1890-1999> YEAR MOVED TO FLORIDA

<9998> DON'T KNOW
<9999> Refuse

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>Q69< What was the highest grade or year of school you completed?

<1> Eight years or less
<2> 9-11 years
<3> Completed high school
<4> Business or technical school
<5> Some college
<6> Completed college
<7> Graduate or professional school

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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>Q70a< What is your race? (IF OTHER ASK: Are you white or black?)

<1> WHITE
<2> BLACK
<3> ASIAN
<x> OTHER (SPECIFY: e.g. mulatto)[specify]

<97> REFUSED
<98> DON'T KNOW
<99> Refuse

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>Q70b< Are you of Spanish or Hispanic origin?

IF YES ASK: Are you of Cuban, Mexican, Puerto Rican, or some other Spanish origin?

<1> NO[goto Q72a]
<2> YES, CUBAN
<3> YES, MEXICAN
<4> YES, PUERTO RICAN
<x> YES, OTHER (SPECIFY)[specify]

<98> DON'T KNOW[goto Q72a]
<99> Refuse[goto Q72a]

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>Q71a< In what country were you born?
<1> United States [goto Q72a]
<2> Cuba
<3> Puerto Rico
<4> Mexico

<x> Some other country (SPECIFY) [specify]
<98> Don't know [goto Q72a]
<99> Refuse [goto Q72a]

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>Q71b< In what year did you immigrate to the United States?
<1890-1998>
<9998> Don't know
<9999> Refuse

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>Q72a< Are you Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, something else, or don't you have a religious affiliation?

<1> PROTESTANT [goto Q72b]
<2> CATHOLIC [goto Q72b]
<3> JEWISH
<4> MUSLIM
<5> OTHER CHRISTIAN: BAPTIST, SEVENTH DAY ADVENTIST, CHRISTIAN SCIENTIST, LUTHERAN, MORMON, METHODIST, ETC. [goto Q72b]
<x> OTHER NON-CHRISTIAN (SPECIFY) [specify]
<6> ATHEIST

<96> NONE
<98> DON'T KNOW
<99> Refuse

===>[goto Q73]
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>Q72b< Do you consider yourself to be a born again Christian?

<1> YES
<2> NO

<8> DON'T KNOW
<9> Refuse

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Q73 Do you own or rent your home?

1. OWN
2. RENT
x. OTHER (SPECIFY) [specify]
8. DON'T KNOW
9. Refuse

Q76 Now, consider all sources of income for everyone living with you in 1998, before taxes. Please stop me when I get to your household income level.

READ CATEGORIES.

PROBE: In what [bold]general[\n] category does your total household income fall?

1. Under $5000
2. $5,000 to 10,000
3. $10,000 to 15,000
4. $15,000 to 20,000
5. $20,000 to 25,000
6. $25,000 to 30,000
7. $30,000 to 40,000
8. $40,000 to 50,000
9. $50,000 to 60,000
10. $60,000 to 70,000
11. $70,000 to 80,000
12. $80,000 to 90,000
13. $90,000 to 100,000
14. Over $100,000

98. Don't Know
99. Refuse