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These tables are excerpted from a post-election poll conducted as part of the National Annenberg Election Survey by Princeton Survey Research Associates International. PSRA interviewed 3,008 adults in the continental United States by telephone from Nov. 5 through Nov. 18, 2008. The margin of sampling error for the complete set of weighted data is ±2.3 percent.

Senator Barack Obama's tax plan would increase the amount of taxes that most small business owners would pay. How truthful do you think that statement is? Would you say it is very truthful, somewhat truthful, not too truthful, or not truthful at all?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 Very truthful	365	12.1	24.9	24.9
	2 Somewhat truthful	398	13.2	27.1	52.0
	3 Not too truthful	207	6.9	14.1	66.1
	4 Not truthful at all	374	12.4	25.5	91.6
	8 Don't know	122	4.0	8.3	99.9
	9 Refused	2	.1	.1	100.0
	Total	1468	48.8	100.0	
Missing	System	1540	51.2		
Total		3008	100.0		

John McCain's plan would have cut more than 800 billion dollars in Medicare payments and cut benefits. How truthful do you think that statement is? Would you say it is very truthful, somewhat truthful, not too truthful, or not truthful at all?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1.00 Very truthful	202	6.7	13.1	13.1
	2.00 Somewhat truthful	450	15.0	29.2	42.3
	3.00 Not too truthful	290	9.7	18.9	61.2
	4.00 Not truthful at all	313	10.4	20.3	81.5
	8.00 Don't know	275	9.1	17.8	99.4
	9.00 Refused	10	.3	.6	100.0

	Total	1540	51.2	100.0	
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From what you understand what does Barack Obama say he intends to do about your own federal income taxes, would he increase your own federal income taxes, leave them about where they are, or decrease your own federal income taxes?

		Earned Too Little For Tax Increase Under Obama	Earned Enough For Tax Increase Under Obama	Doesn't Pay Taxes (Volunteered)	Refused Income question	Total
1 Increase your own federal income taxes	Count	576	73	26	173	848
	%	25.6%	81.1%	18.3%	33.0%	28.2%
2 Leave them about where they are	Count	612	9	33	114	768
	%	27.2%	10.0%	23.2%	21.7%	25.5%
3 Decrease your own federal income taxes	Count	874	6	60	144	1084
	%	38.8%	6.7%	42.3%	27.4%	36.0%
8 Don't know	Count	175	2	17	83	277
	%	7.8%	2.2%	12.0%	15.8%	9.2%
9 Refused	Count	14	0	6	11	31
	%	.6%	.0%	4.2%	2.1%	1.0%
Total	Count	2251	90	142	525	3008
	%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%	100.0%

John McCain said that he would keep US troops in combat in Iraq for up to 100 years. How truthful do you think that statement is? Would you say it is very truthful, somewhat truthful, not too truthful, or not truthful at all?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 Very truthful	309	10.3	21.1	21.1
	2 Somewhat truthful	274	9.1	18.7	39.8
	3 Not too truthful	204	6.8	13.9	53.6
	4 Not truthful at all	571	19.0	38.9	92.6
	8 Don't know	99	3.3	6.8	99.3
	9 Refused	10	.3	.7	100.0
	Total	1468	48.8	100.0	
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Which candidate or candidates for president's plan would make illegal immigrants eligible for social security and health care benefits? Senator Obama, Senator McCain, both, or neither? (CANDIDATE CHOICES ROTATED)

Note: Half sample, asked of 1,540 of the total 3,008 participants. "Valid percent" refers to percentage of those who were asked this question.

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1.00 Senator Obama	478	15.9	31.0	31.0
	2.00 Senator McCain	157	5.2	10.2	41.2
	3.00 Both	147	4.9	9.5	50.7
	4.00 Neither	433	14.4	28.1	78.9
	8.00 Don't know	317	10.5	20.6	99.4
	9.00 Refused	8	.3	.6	100.0
	Total	1540	51.2	100.0	
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Could you tell me what you think Barack Obama's religion is?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 Protestant	1203	40.0	40.0	40.0
	2 Catholic	183	6.1	6.1	46.1
	3 Jewish	10	.3	.3	46.4
	4 Muslim	566	18.8	18.8	65.3
	5 Mormon	18	.6	.6	65.9
	6 Some other religion (SPECIFY)	268	8.9	8.9	74.8
	8 Don't know	727	24.2	24.2	99.0
	9 Refused	32	1.0	1.0	100.0
	Total	3008	100.0	100.0	

Senator Barack Obama is nearly half Arab. How truthful do you think that statement is? Would you say it is very truthful, somewhat truthful, not too truthful, or not truthful at all?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 Very truthful	137	4.6	9.3	9.3
	2 Somewhat truthful	186	6.2	12.6	22.0
	3 Not too truthful	112	3.7	7.6	29.6
	4 Not truthful at all	850	28.2	57.9	87.5
	8 Don't know	171	5.7	11.6	99.1
	9 Refused	13	.4	.9	100.0
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Who has the final responsibility to determine if a law is constitutional or not? Is it the (ROTATE) president, the Congress, or the Supreme Court?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 President	268	8.9	8.9	8.9
	2 Congress	668	22.2	22.2	31.1
	3 Supreme Court	1880	62.5	62.5	93.6
	8 Don't know	176	5.9	5.9	99.5
	9 Refused	16	.5	.5	100.0
	Total	3008	100.0	100.0	

Do you happen to know which party has the most members in the United States House of Representatives?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 Democratic Party	2064	68.6	68.6	68.6
	2 Republican Party	297	9.9	9.9	78.5
	8 Don't know	628	20.9	20.9	99.4
	9 Refused	19	.6	.6	100.0
	Total	3008	100.0	100.0	

Saddam Hussein played a role in September 11th. How truthful do you think that statement is? Would you say it is very truthful, somewhat truthful, not too truthful, or not truthful at all?

		Frequency	Percent	Valid Percent	Cumulative Percent
Valid	1 Very truthful	352	11.7	22.9	22.9
	2 Somewhat truthful	363	12.1	23.5	46.4
	3 Not too truthful	170	5.6	11.0	57.4
	4 Not truthful at all	565	18.8	36.7	94.1
	8 Don't know	86	2.9	5.6	99.7
	9 Refused	4	.1	.3	100.0
	Total	1540	51.2	100.0	
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Logistic regression predicting the belief that the statement "Senator Barack Obama's tax plan would increase the amount of taxes that most small business owners would pay" is truthful.

		B	S.E.	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B) ODDS RATIOS
Step 1(a)	Age	.005	.005	1.184	1	.277	1.005
	Gender (Female)	-.254	.155	2.683	1	.101	.775
	Race (Black)	-.793	.231	11.824	1	.001	.453
	Education	.046	.030	2.288	1	.130	1.047
	Republican s vs. Democrats	1.482	.162	83.763	1	.000	4.404
Nagelkerke R Square: .201							

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		B	S.E.	Wald	df	Sig.	Exp(B) ODDS RATIOS
Step 1(a)	Age	-.026	.004	34.434	1	.000	.974
	Gender (Female)	-.339	.151	5.042	1	.025	.713
	Race (Black)	.570	.239	5.662	1	.017	1.768
	Education	-.052	.031	2.760	1	.097	.949
	Democrats vs. Republican	1.174	.159	54.172	1	.000	3.234
Nagelkerke R Square: .186							