

## Well Being 396

### intro intro

Welcome to this survey. The following questions will ask you about your attitudes toward a variety of topics. Use the Back and Next buttons below the questions to navigate through the survey. Do not use the Enter key or your browser back button.

### ms85\_LS001 life satisfaction as a whole

To begin with, we have some general questions about your life. Taking all things together, how satisfied are you with your life as a whole these days?

### ms85\_VS301\_intro job satisfaction

How satisfied are you with your job or other daily activities?

### ms85\_LS002 total household income satisfaction

How satisfied are you with the total income of your household?

### ms85\_LS003 economic situation satisfaction

How satisfied are you with your overall economic situation?

### ms179\_HEALTH subjective health

Would you say your health is ...?

- 1 Excellent
- 2 Very good
- 3 Good
- 4 Fair
- 5 Poor

[The following questions are displayed as a table]

### ms304\_P001 Political affiliation

Generally speaking, do you usually think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an Independent, or what?

- 1 Republican
- 2 Democrat
- 3 Independent
- 4 Other, please specify \$Answer2\$

### ms304\_P001\_other Political affiliation other

String

[End of table display]

IF ms304\_P001 = Republican THEN

| **ms304\_P001r** Republican degree

| Would you call yourself a strong Republican or a not so strong Republican?

ELSEIF ms304\_P001 = Democrat THEN

| **ms304\_P001d** Democrat degree

| Would you call yourself a strong Democrat or a not so strong Democrat?

ELSE

| **ms304\_P001o** Other Repub or Dem

| Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party or to the Democratic Party?

| 1 Closer to Republican

| 2 Closer to Democratic

|

ENDIF

**ms304\_P002** voted in presidential election

Did you vote in the 2012 presidential election?

IF ms304\_P002 = Yes THEN

|

| [The following questions are displayed as a table]

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| **ms304\_P003a** who you voted for

| Who did you vote for?

| 1 Barack Obama

| 2 Mitt Romney

| 3 Other, please specify \$Answer2\$

|

| **ms304\_P003a\_other** who you voted for other

|

| String

|

| [End of table display]

ELSEIF ms304\_P002 = No THEN

|

| [The following questions are displayed as a table]

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| **ms304\_P003b** who you would have voted for

| Who would you have voted for if you had voted?

| 1 Barack Obama

| 2 Mitt Romney

| 3 Other, please specify \$Answer2\$

|

| **ms304\_P003b\_other** who you would have voted for other

|

| String

|

| [End of table display]

ENDIF

**ms244\_CL001** feel at this time

Please imagine a ladder with steps numbered from 0 at the bottom to 10 at the top. Suppose we say that the top of the ladder represents the best possible life for you and the bottom of the ladder represents the worst possible life for you. On which step of the ladder would you say you personally feel you stand at this time, assuming that the higher the step the better you feel about your life, and the lower the step the worse you feel about it? Which step comes closest to the way you feel?

10 10

9 9

8 8

7 7

6 6

5 5

4 4

3 3

2 2

1 1  
0 0

**ms244\_CL003** Feel 5 years from now

Please imagine a ladder with steps numbered from 0 at the bottom to 10 at the top. Suppose we say that the top of the ladder represents the best possible life for you and the bottom of the ladder represents the worst possible life for you. On which step of the ladder would you say you will stand on in the future, say about 5 years from now?

10 10  
9 9  
8 8  
7 7  
6 6  
5 5  
4 4  
3 3  
2 2  
1 1  
0 0

**retired** retired

Are you retired?

- 1 Yes, completely retired
- 2 Yes, partially retired
- 3 No

IF retired = Yes, completely retired or retired = Yes, partially retired THEN

| **ms307\_C35** age retired  
| At what age did you retire?  
| Integer

ELSEIF retired = No THEN

| **ms65\_P017\_** Seq8P\_10 LIKELIHOOD R WILL WORK AFTER AGE 62  
| What do you think the chances are that you will be working full-time after you reach age 62?  
| means absolutely no chance, and 100 means you are absolutely certain.  
| Range: 0..100

| **ms65\_P018\_** Seq8P\_16 LIKELIHOOD R WILL WORK AFTER AGE 65  
| What do you think the chances are that you will be working full-time after you reach age  
| 65? Remember, 0 means absolutely no chance, and 100 means you are absolutely certain.  
| Range: 0..100

ENDIF

**ms65\_P034\_** Seq8P\_46 CHANCE US HAS ECON DEPRESSION NEXT 10YR

What do you think are the chances that the U.S. economy will experience a major depression sometime during the next 10 years or so? 0 means there is absolutely no chance and 100 means you are absolutely certain.

Range: 0..100

**ms65\_P110\_** Seq8P\_47 CHANCE SOC SEC LESS GENEROUS 10 YRS

Thinking of the Social Security program in general and not just your own Social Security benefits: On a scale from 0 to 100, (where 0 means no chance and 100 means absolutely certain,) what is the percent chance that Congress will change Social Security sometime in the next 10 years, so that it

becomes less generous than now?

Range: 0..100

[The following questions are displayed as a table]

**expect\_socsec** chance OWN future socsec benefits less

We just asked you about changes to Social Security in general. Now we would like to know whether you think these Social Security changes might affect your own benefits. On a scale from 0 to 100, what do you think is the percent chance that over the next 10 years there will be changes to Social Security that will reduce your benefits compared to what you would get under the current system?

Range: 0..100

**expect\_socsec\_not** do not expect to receive socsec benefits

1 I don't expect to receive social security benefits.

[End of table display]

**ms179\_INT\_RATE\_LITERACY** Interest rate literacy

Suppose you had \$100 in a savings account and the interest rate was 2% per year. After 5 years, how much do you think you would have in the account if you left the money to grow?

- 1 More than \$102
- 2 Exactly \$102
- 3 Less than \$102
- 4 Don't know

**ms179\_INFLATION** Inflation Literacy

Imagine that the interest rate on your savings account was 1% per year and inflation was 2% per year. After 1 year, would you be able to buy more than, exactly the same as, or less than today with the money in this account?

- 1 More than today
- 2 Exactly the same as today
- 3 Less than today
- 4 Don't know

**ms374\_FLM\_6\_11** single company stock stock mutual fund

Do you think that the following statement is true or false? "Buying a single company stock usually provides a safer return than a stock mutual fund."

- 1 True
- 2 False
- 9 Don't know

**CS\_001** HOW PLEASANT INTERVIEW

Could you tell us how interesting or uninteresting you found the questions in this interview?

- 1 Very interesting
- 2 Interesting
- 3 Neither interesting nor uninteresting
- 4 Uninteresting
- 5 Very uninteresting