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OBAMA TIES ROMNEY, SANTORUM IN FLORIDA, QUINNIPIAC UNIVERSITY POLL FINDS; NELSON, MACK SENATE RACE TOO CLOSE TO CALL

Election Year opens in Florida with the two top races too close to call, according to a Quinnipiac University poll released today.

The top Republican presidential challenger, former Massachusetts Gov. Mitt Romney, has 46 percent of registered voters to President Barack Obama's 43 percent. If former Pennsylvania Sen. Rick Santorum gets the GOP nomination, he scores 43 percent to President Obama's 45 percent, the independent Quinnipiac (KWIN-uh-pe-ack) University poll finds.

In Florida's U.S. Senate race, Democratic incumbent Bill Nelson has 41 percent, with 40 percent for his leading Republican challenger, U.S. Rep. Connie Mack.

The president has a solidly negative 42 – 54 percent job approval rating and Florida voters say 52 – 44 percent that he does not deserve a second term in the Oval Office.

“Florida is among the most important swing states in the country and if the election was today President Barack Obama would have difficulty winning its electoral votes,” said Peter A. Brown, assistant director of the Quinnipiac University Polling Institute.

“But the election isn't for 10 more months so he has plenty of time to turn things around. Nevertheless, President Obama needs to mend fences in the Sunshine State, especially among men, whites and those voters without college degrees. The difference among voters by age is especially striking.”

In his matchup with Romney, the president wins 84 percent of Democrats, 47 percent of independent voters and only 4 percent of Republicans. By comparison, Romney takes 9 percent of Democrats. The president carries women 46 – 41 percent, but loses men 52 – 40 percent, “a yawning gender gap,” said Brown.

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The president carries voters 18 to 49 years old 51 – 39 percent, but loses 49 – 40 percent among voters 50 to 64 years old and loses 53 – 39 percent among voters over 65.

“The problem for Obama is that those over 50 make up 62 percent of the electorate, compared to the 35 percent who are under 50,” Brown added.

“In the matchup with Santorum, the president does slightly better across-the-board, which results in the overall dead-heat. At this point Romney runs a bit better against Obama than does Santorum, but the former Pennsylvania senator isn’t nearly as well-known as either Romney or the president,” Brown said.

Florida voters give Santorum a 31 – 25 percent favorability rating, with 42 percent who don’t know enough about him to form an opinion. He gets a 56 – 8 percent favorability from Republicans, with 35 percent who haven’t heard enough. Romney gets a 47 – 29 percent favorability among all voters, with 74 – 14 percent among Republicans.

Obama has a negative 45 – 50 percent favorability among Florida voters.

In the U.S. Senate race, Congressman Mack gets 39 percent in the GOP primary, which is held in August. Mike McCalister and former U.S. Sen. George LeMieux are way behind with 6 percent each. No other candidate tops 2 percent. Another 42 percent are undecided.

“Connie Mack remains far ahead of the GOP field and there has been little movement since he entered the race late last year. With four out of 10 GOP primary voters still undecided, nothing is certain, but one would much rather be in Mack’s shoes than any of the other GOP contenders,” Brown said.

Mack has a 32 – 13 percent favorability rating with 54 percent who don’t know enough about him.

Nelson has a 47 – 30 percent job approval rating and a 41 – 23 percent favorability rating. “Good but not great,” said Brown, “and voters say 44 – 35 percent he deserves another six years in the Senate.”

From January 4 – 8, Quinnipiac University surveyed 1,412 registered voters with a margin of error of +/- 2.6 percentage points. Live interviewers call land lines and cell phones.

The Quinnipiac University Poll, directed by Douglas Schwartz, Ph.D., conducts public opinion surveys in Pennsylvania, New York, New Jersey, Connecticut, Florida, Ohio, Virginia and the nation as a public service and for research.

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2. (If Registered Republican) If the Republican primary for United States Senator were being held today, and the candidates were: Connie Mack, Adam Hasner, George LeMieux, Craig Miller and Mike McCalister, for whom would you vote?

	REGISTERED REPUBLICANS.....									
	Tot	Men	Wom	Con	Mod	WhtBrnAgnEvngl		TEA PARTY		
						Yes	No	Yes	No	
Mack	39%	45%	33%	40%	41%	40%	42%	48%	34%	
Hasner	2	3	1	2	2	2	2	3	1	
LeMieux	6	8	5	7	5	9	4	8	6	
Miller	1	1	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	
McCalister	6	7	4	4	6	4	3	3	7	
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	4	2	2	6	5	2	-	4	
DK/NA	42	32	54	43	38	39	45	35	46	

	COLLEGE DEG		AGE IN YEARS.....			ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME..			
	Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100
Mack	37%	40%	34%	42%	43%	38%	43%	46%	35%
Hasner	2	2	1	2	1	1	2	-	5
LeMieux	5	7	5	9	5	6	6	5	4
Miller	2	1	1	1	2	-	2	2	2
McCalister	5	6	8	4	4	10	7	1	8
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	4	3	3	4	3	1	4	3	5
DK/NA	45	41	48	37	41	44	37	42	40

TREND: (If Registered Republican) If the Republican primary for United States Senator were being held today, and the candidates were: Connie Mack, Adam Hasner, George LeMieux, Craig Miller and Mike McCalister, for whom would you vote?
 (na=not asked, 2011 wording referenced "2012 election")

	REGISTERED REPUBLICANS.....				
	Jan 11 2012	Nov 11 2011	Sep 22 2011	Aug 04 2011	May 26 2011
Mack	39	32	na	na	na
Hasner	2	2	5	6	4
LeMieux	6	9	17	12	14
Miller	1	2	5	8	na
McCalister	6	6	11	15	na
Haridopolos	na	na	na	na	13
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	2	1	3	2
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	4	3	4	4
DK/NA	42	45	58	53	64

3. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Barack Obama the Democrat and Mitt Romney the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	43%	4%	84%	47%	40%	46%	34%	92%	46%
Romney	46	92	9	39	52	41	55	4	45
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	1	-	3	2	2	2	-	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	1	1	4	3	3	3	-	2
DK/NA	6	2	5	7	4	8	5	4	6

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Obama	41%	31%	23%	29%	14%	34%	51%	40%	39%
Romney	52	56	67	59	78	55	39	49	53
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	2	1	2	2	2	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	4	3	4	2	4	3	4	1
DK/NA	3	7	5	6	4	6	5	5	6

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Obama	45%	43%	55%	34%	44%	39%	37%
Romney	46	47	35	58	46	54	53
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	2	2	2	1	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	3	2	2	4	4	2
DK/NA	4	6	7	4	4	3	4

TREND: If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Barack Obama the Democrat and Mitt Romney the Republican, for whom would you vote? (2011 wording referenced "2012 election")

	DEBT DEAL.....					
	Jan 11	Dec 08	Nov 10	Sep 22	Post	Pre
	2012	2011	2011	2011	Aug 04	Aug 04
	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011	2011
Obama	43	42	42	40	44	46
Romney	46	45	45	47	44	41
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	3	2	2	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	4	3	4	3	2
DK/NA	6	6	8	8	8	9

4. If the election for President were being held today, and the candidates were Barack Obama the Democrat and Rick Santorum the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	45%	5%	86%	50%	41%	48%	36%	85%	51%
Santorum	43	89	4	37	49	38	51	6	39
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	2	1	2	3	2	3	-	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	1	2	4	4	3	4	2	2
DK/NA	7	2	8	6	4	9	6	7	6

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Obama	44%	33%	26%	30%	17%	36%	52%	43%	38%
Santorum	48	52	61	57	73	52	36	45	50
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	2	3	3	2	3	2	3	2	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	4	3	3	2	4	4	4	2
DK/NA	3	8	6	8	5	7	6	5	9

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Obama	48%	43%	52%	37%	48%	41%	36%
Santorum	43	43	33	52	44	49	51
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	3	2	2	3	1	2	4
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	3	4	4	3	3	3	4
DK/NA	3	8	8	6	4	5	6

5. Is your opinion of - Rick Santorum favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	31%	56%	8%	30%	40%	24%	35%	16%	27%
Unfavorable	25	8	43	26	26	24	23	40	24
Hvn't hrd enough	42	35	46	43	34	50	41	42	48
REFUSED	1	-	2	1	1	2	1	2	1

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	36%	35%	43%	39%	54%	34%	27%	33%	36%
Unfavorable	35	17	15	15	9	20	26	26	22
Hvn't hrd enough	28	47	42	44	36	45	47	40	40
REFUSED	1	1	-	2	1	1	-	1	1

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME..				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Favorable	32%	31%	24%	35%	32%	37%	37%
Unfavorable	34	21	22	23	30	30	23
Hvn't hrd enough	33	46	51	41	37	33	39
REFUSED	1	1	2	-	-	-	1

6. Is your opinion of - Ron Paul favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	26%	28%	14%	34%	31%	22%	28%	12%	27%
Unfavorable	41	48	45	35	43	40	45	36	30
Hvn't hrd enough	30	23	37	31	25	35	25	47	44
REFUSED	2	1	4	1	1	4	2	5	-

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	29%	27%	28%	26%	27%	28%	32%	27%	18%
Unfavorable	54	40	43	46	42	44	30	45	49
Hvn't hrd enough	15	30	27	26	30	25	36	26	31
REFUSED	2	2	3	2	1	3	2	2	2

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... Military
Yes No <30K 30-50 50-100 >100K HsHlds

Favorable	29%	25%	20%	27%	28%	31%	27%
Unfavorable	50	37	33	40	46	50	45
Hvn't hrd enough	19	36	45	31	23	19	26
REFUSED	2	2	2	1	4	1	2

7. Is your opinion of - Newt Gingrich favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	31%	64%	9%	23%	39%	24%	35%	12%	30%
Unfavorable	47	24	67	52	43	51	49	52	34
Hvn't hrd enough	19	10	21	23	16	21	13	32	36
REFUSED	3	2	3	2	2	4	3	3	-

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	36%	34%	44%	37%	52%	35%	24%	35%	34%
Unfavorable	52	47	41	47	33	49	45	50	48
Hvn't hrd enough	9	15	13	12	13	13	29	12	14
REFUSED	3	3	2	3	1	3	1	2	4

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... Military
Yes No <30K 30-50 50-100 >100K HsHlds

Favorable	32%	31%	23%	36%	30%	41%	38%
Unfavorable	51	46	44	44	55	48	49
Hvn't hrd enough	14	21	30	19	13	9	11
REFUSED	3	3	4	1	2	2	2

TREND: Is your opinion of Newt Gingrich favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jan 11 2012	Dec 08 2011	Nov 10 2011	Feb 07 2007
Favorable	31	34	34	26
Unfavorable	47	38	39	48
Hvn't hrd enough	19	25	25	24
REFUSED	3	2	2	1

8. Is your opinion of - Mitt Romney favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	47%	74%	23%	45%	51%	43%	52%	21%	46%
Unfavorable	29	14	43	30	30	27	27	42	24
Hvn't hrd enough	22	10	31	23	17	26	17	37	29
REFUSED	3	2	3	2	1	4	3	-	1

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	56%	50%	60%	54%	61%	54%	41%	50%	53%
Unfavorable	30	26	22	25	19	26	32	27	28
Hvn't hrd enough	11	20	15	18	17	17	26	20	16
REFUSED	3	4	2	3	3	3	1	3	4

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Favorable	53%	44%	37%	50%	53%	56%	52%
Unfavorable	32	27	27	30	31	29	29
Hvn't hrd enough	13	26	33	19	15	12	17
REFUSED	2	3	3	1	1	3	2

TREND: Is your opinion of Mitt Romney favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jan 11 2012	Dec 08 2011	Nov 10 2011	Dec 05 2007	Oct 25 2007	FAVORABLE....	
						High Jan 11 2012	Low Feb 07 2007
Favorable	47	39	40	29	31	47	13
Unfavorable	29	28	28	27	23	29	11
Hvn't hrd enough	22	30	29	41	43	22	75
REFUSED	3	2	3	3	3	3	1

9. Is your opinion of - Barack Obama favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	45%	7%	85%	47%	41%	49%	36%	90%	49%
Unfavorable	50	91	10	46	55	46	60	5	43
Hvn't hrd enough	3	1	3	5	2	4	2	4	4
REFUSED	2	1	2	2	2	2	2	1	3

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	42%	33%	28%	33%	18%	36%	50%	43%	41%
Unfavorable	56	62	68	64	79	59	45	54	54
Hvn't hrd enough	1	3	2	2	2	3	4	1	2
REFUSED	1	2	1	2	1	2	1	2	3

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Favorable	47%	44%	52%	35%	50%	39%	39%
Unfavorable	51	50	41	59	48	59	59
Hvn't hrd enough	1	4	5	4	-	1	1
REFUSED	1	2	3	1	2	-	1

TREND: Is your opinion of Barack Obama favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jan 11 2012	Dec 08 2011	Nov 10 2011	Feb 03 2011	Aug 20 2009	FAVORABLE....	
						High Feb 19 2009	Low Feb 07 2007
Favorable	45	47	47	49	51	69	37
Unfavorable	50	48	48	47	44	22	18
Hvn't hrd enough	3	3	3	2	3	6	44
REFUSED	2	2	3	2	2	3	1

10. Compared to past presidential elections, how would you describe your level of enthusiasm about voting in this year's presidential election; are you more enthusiastic than usual, less enthusiastic, or about the same as usual?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
More	37%	56%	29%	29%	41%	33%	37%	29%	39%
Less	21	10	23	26	17	25	24	15	13
About the same	41	33	47	44	41	41	38	56	46
DK/NA	1	-	1	1	1	1	1	-	2

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
More	38%	37%	43%	39%	48%	38%	31%	39%	43%
Less	18	27	17	27	16	24	23	23	16
About the same	43	36	39	34	35	38	46	37	39
DK/NA	-	1	1	-	1	1	1	1	1

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... Military

	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
More	37%	37%	28%	42%	40%	43%	40%
Less	17	23	23	22	22	14	16
About the same	45	39	48	35	37	42	41
DK/NA	1	1	-	1	1	1	2

TREND: Compared to past presidential elections, how would you describe your level of enthusiasm about voting in this year's presidential election; are you more enthusiastic than usual, less enthusiastic, or about the same as usual?
(2011 wording referenced "2012 election")

	Jan 11 2012	Dec 08 2011	Nov 10 2011	Sep 22 2011
More	37	32	35	40
Less	21	23	21	22
About the same	41	44	43	37
DK/NA	1	1	1	1

11. If the election for United States Senator were being held today and the candidates were Bill Nelson the Democrat, and Connie Mack the Republican, for whom would you vote?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Nelson	41%	9%	77%	44%	40%	42%	37%	72%	38%
Mack	40	82	8	33	46	36	46	13	39
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	-	1	1	1	1	-	-	3
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	1	-	2	2	2	3	-	2
DK/NA	16	8	15	20	11	19	15	14	18

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Nelson	43%	34%	29%	29%	19%	36%	40%	41%	44%
Mack	43	47	56	52	67	46	34	44	44
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	1	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	3	2	2	2	2	3	3	1
DK/NA	12	16	13	16	11	15	22	12	11

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Nelson	46%	39%	48%	36%	39%	41%	36%
Mack	40	41	34	45	42	48	47
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	-	1	-	1	1	-	-
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	2	2	2	4	-	1
DK/NA	12	17	16	16	14	11	15

TREND: If the election for United States Senator were being held today and the candidates were Bill Nelson the Democrat and Connie Mack the Republican, for whom would you vote? (2011 wording referenced "2012 election")

	Jan 11 2012	Nov 11 2011
Nelson	41	42%
Mack	40	40
SMONE ELSE (VOL)	1	1
WLDN'T VOTE (VOL)	2	1
DK/NA	16	16

12. Is your opinion of Connie Mack favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	32%	58%	13%	25%	37%	27%	35%	13%	34%
Unfavorable	13	2	27	13	16	11	12	21	11
Hvn't hrd enough	54	40	58	61	47	61	52	64	54
REFUSED	1	-	2	1	1	1	1	2	1

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	35%	35%	42%	41%	49%	36%	26%	35%	36%
Unfavorable	16	10	7	7	5	9	10	14	15
Hvn't hrd enough	49	54	49	51	44	53	64	50	47
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	1	1	-	1	2

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Favorable	34%	31%	26%	36%	35%	37%	33%
Unfavorable	16	12	13	11	14	15	13
Hvn't hrd enough	50	56	59	52	50	47	51
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	-	1	2

13. Is your opinion of Bill Nelson favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Favorable	41%	20%	61%	44%	42%	39%	38%	52%	42%
Unfavorable	23	43	8	19	29	18	26	15	15
Hvn't hrd enough	35	36	30	37	28	41	34	31	44
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	-

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Favorable	49%	33%	34%	34%	27%	38%	36%	42%	47%
Unfavorable	24	28	33	29	41	25	17	27	28
Hvn't hrd enough	26	38	32	34	31	35	47	31	23
REFUSED	1	1	1	2	1	2	-	1	2

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Favorable	52%	35%	40%	33%	46%	48%	39%
Unfavorable	21	24	20	26	26	23	29
Hvn't hrd enough	26	39	39	40	27	29	31
REFUSED	1	1	1	1	1	1	1

TREND: Is your opinion of Bill Nelson favorable, unfavorable or haven't you heard enough about him?

	Jan 11 2012	Feb 3 2011
Favorable	41	39
Unfavorable	23	23
Hvn't hrd enough	35	36
REFUSED	1	2

17. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill Nelson is handling his job as United States Senator?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	47%	30%	66%	49%	48%	46%	43%	63%	49%
Disapprove	30	47	15	27	35	25	32	22	27
DK/NA	23	24	19	24	17	29	25	15	24

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Approve	50%	40%	42%	41%	34%	45%	47%	46%	49%
Disapprove	30	33	37	35	45	31	26	33	31
DK/NA	20	27	21	24	21	24	27	21	20

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... Military
Yes No <30K 30-50 50-100 >100K HsHlds

Approve	51%	45%	52%	43%	46%	51%	43%
Disapprove	29	30	25	35	32	30	35
DK/NA	20	25	23	22	21	19	22

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Bill Nelson is handling his job as United States Senator? (*Low also 42% Aug 2004)

	DEBT DEAL.....			APPROVE.....			
	Post	Pre	High	Low			
	Jan 10	Nov 11	Sep 22	Aug 04	Aug 04	Feb 06	Aug 04
	2012	2011	2011	2011	2011	2007	2011*
Approve	47	47	45	42	45	54	42
Disapprove	30	27	32	35	33	18	35
DK/NA	23	26	23	23	22	28	23

18. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Approve	42%	7%	80%	45%	39%	45%	33%	89%	46%
Disapprove	54	92	15	52	58	50	63	9	47
DK/NA	4	1	5	3	3	5	4	2	7

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Approve	39%	30%	25%	32%	19%	34%	47%	39%	39%
Disapprove	58	66	71	65	80	62	50	58	56
DK/NA	3	4	4	2	1	4	4	3	5

COLLEGE DEG ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME... Military
Yes No <30K 30-50 50-100 >100K HsHlds

Approve	44%	41%	49%	35%	45%	37%	36%
Disapprove	53	55	46	61	52	60	62
DK/NA	4	4	5	4	3	3	2

TREND: Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as President?

	Jan 11 2012	Dec 08 2011	Nov 10 2011	Sep 22 2011	APPROVE.....	
					High Feb 19 2009	Low Sep 22 2011
Approve	42	41	41	39	64	39
Disapprove	54	54	52	57	23	57
DK/NA	4	5	7	5	13	5

19. Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would do a better job on the economy, Barack Obama or - Mitt Romney?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	39%	5%	77%	40%	37%	41%	30%	87%	42%
Romney	52	92	15	48	57	47	60	7	51
DK/NA	9	4	8	12	6	12	10	7	7

	WHITE.....								
	COLLEGE DEG				BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No	Prot	Cath	Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Obama	37%	27%	21%	28%	12%	30%	45%	37%	34%
Romney	56	62	71	66	82	61	46	56	55
DK/NA	7	11	8	6	6	9	9	8	10

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Obama	42%	37%	48%	32%	39%	33%	34%
Romney	51	52	41	59	52	63	59
DK/NA	7	10	11	9	8	4	8

TREND: Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would do a better job on the economy, Barack Obama or Mitt Romney?

	Jan 11 2012	Dec 08 2011	Nov 10 2011
Obama	39	41	39
Romney	52	49	49
DK/NA	9	10	12

20. Regardless of how you intend to vote, who do you think would do a better job on the economy, Barack Obama or - Rick Santorum?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Obama	44%	5%	82%	49%	41%	46%	35%	82%	52%
Santorum	43	84	6	38	50	37	51	6	38
DK/NA	13	11	13	14	9	18	14	12	11

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN 18-49	YRS.....	
	Yes	No			Yes	No		50-64	65+
Obama	43%	31%	27%	30%	16%	36%	51%	41%	37%
Santorum	46	53	62	56	75	50	37	47	48
DK/NA	11	15	12	13	10	14	12	12	15

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Obama	48%	41%	51%	35%	46%	41%	37%
Santorum	41	44	35	52	41	51	51
DK/NA	11	14	15	13	12	8	12

22. Do you feel that Barack Obama deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes/Deserves	44%	5%	83%	49%	41%	47%	35%	93%	47%
No/Does not	52	93	12	48	57	48	62	4	48
DK/NA	4	2	4	3	3	5	4	4	5

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN 18-49	YRS.....	
	Yes	No			Yes	No		50-64	65+
Yes/Deserves	39%	32%	26%	31%	16%	36%	51%	41%	39%
No/Does not	57	64	70	65	81	61	46	56	56
DK/NA	4	4	4	4	3	4	2	3	5

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Yes/Deserves	45%	43%	52%	35%	49%	38%	36%
No/Does not	51	53	43	61	50	59	61
DK/NA	4	4	5	4	1	3	3

TREND: Do you feel that Barack Obama deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

	DESERVES.....					
	Jan 11 2012	Dec 08 2011	Nov 10 2011	Sep 22 2011	High May 26 2011	Low Sep 22 2011
Yes/Deserves	44	44	43	41	50	41
No/Does not	52	51	51	53	44	53
DK/NA	4	5	6	6	6	6

23. Do you feel that Bill Nelson deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

	Tot	Rep	Dem	Ind	Men	Wom	Wht	Blk	Hsp
Yes/Deserves	44%	22%	67%	46%	44%	43%	40%	65%	45%
No/Does not	35	58	15	32	42	29	39	19	31
DK/NA	21	20	18	22	14	28	21	16	25

WHITE.....

	COLLEGE DEG		Prot	Cath	BornAgnEvngl		AGE IN YRS.....		
	Yes	No			Yes	No	18-49	50-64	65+
Yes/Deserves	45%	38%	36%	34%	28%	41%	44%	43%	45%
No/Does not	36	40	46	43	55	38	32	39	34
DK/NA	19	22	18	22	17	21	24	18	20

	COLLEGE DEG		ANNUAL HOUSEHOLD INCOME...				Military
	Yes	No	<30K	30-50	50-100	>100K	HsHlds
Yes/Deserves	48%	42%	48%	39%	45%	46%	42%
No/Does not	33	36	31	39	38	34	39
DK/NA	19	22	21	22	17	19	20

TREND: Do you feel that Bill Nelson deserves to be reelected, or do you feel that he does not deserve to be reelected?

	DEBT DEAL.....						
	Jan 11	Sep 22	Post	Pre	May 26	Apr 07	Feb 03
	2012	2011	Aug 04	Aug 04	2011	2011	2011
Yes/Deserves	44	44	44	45	48	43	43
No/Does not	35	33	38	36	30	35	33
DK/NA	21	23	18	19	22	21	25