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1,200 registered likely voters nationwide

	TOTAL (n=1200)	AFRICAN AMERICANS (n=141)	HISPANICS (N=106)
GENDER OF RESPONDENT			
Male	48	49	51
Female	52	51	49
REGION			
New England.....	5	2	8
Mid-Atlantic	14	18	11
East-North-Central	17	14	5
West-North-Central	8	2	4
South Atlantic.....	20	33	11
East-South- Central.....	6	10	0
West-South-Central.....	10	14	20
Mountain	7	0	12
Pacific.....	14	7	30

1. First, are you registered to vote at this address? **[IF NO, ASK FOR A FAMILY MEMBER WHO IS. IF NONE, TERMINATE AND MARK TQ1 ON SAMPLE SHEET]**

2. How likely are you to vote in the 2008 elections for President and other offices -- are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances about 50-50, are you probably not going to vote, or are you definitely not going to vote?

Almost certain	86	84	82
Probably	14	16	18
50-50	TERMINATE		
Probably not.....	TERMINATE		
Definitely not	TERMINATE		
(don't know).....	TERMINATE		

3. Do you think that over the last year, you and your family's income has gone up more than the cost of living, fallen behind, or has it stayed even with the cost of living?

Gone up more	16	13	15
Fallen behind.....	42	47	43
Stayed even	39	38	38
(don't know).....	3	2	3

4. I would like to ask you some questions about employment. In terms of your job status, are you currently employed, running your own business, unemployed but looking for work, retired, a student, or a homemaker? **[IF MORE THAN ONE: Well, which would you MAINLY use to describe yourself?]**

Employed	45	45	65
Self-employed	6	4	4
Unemployed	7	10	13
Retired.....	31	28	11
Student.....	1	1	0
Homemaker.....	6	4	6
(not able to work)	2	7	0
(other).....	0	0	0
(don't know/refused).....	0	1	1

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Q5-7: ASK ONLY IF Q4=1 or 2**5. IF EMPLOYED OR SELF-EMPLOYED, ASK:** Are you employed full-time or part-time?

Full-time	86	86	81
Part-time.....	14	14	18
(don't know).....	0	0	1

6. Which of the following best describes your employer or business --

[IF MULTIPLE JOBS SAY: Well, of your current jobs, tell me about the one that is your major source of income.]

READ

A business with fewer than 10 employees.....	16	15	18
A business with between 10 and 25 employees.....	10	9	13
A business with between 25 and 50 employees.....	11	11	8
A business with between 50 and 100 employees.....	12	11	21
A business with between 100 and 500 employees.....	14	21	12
A business with over 500 employees.....	23	27	21
A public-sector employer, such as the government or a school district	9	5	5
A non-profit organization	1	0	0
other-specify _____	2	1	0
(don't know).....	2	0	2

7. Does your employer provide paid sick days? [If yes: In addition to using the sick days for your own illness, can you use your paid sick days to care for a sick child or family member?]

Yes, self	41	45	50
Yes, self and sick child or family member.....	27	26	21
No.....	28	28	25
(don't know/refused).....	3	1	4

Q8: ASK ONLY IF Q7=1**8. How many paid sick days do you get per year to use for yourself when you are ill?**

MEAN.....	8.9	8.6	6.8
Less than 5.....	13	20	16
5	17	10	30
6	14	14	15
7	10	15	7
8	4	5	6
9	2	0	4
10 or more.....	33	31	20
(don't know/refused).....	8	4	3

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Q9: ASK ONLY IF Q7=2

9. How many paid sick days do you get per year to use for yourself when you are ill or to care for a sick child family member who is ill?

MEAN.....	22.8	23.0	19.6
Less than 5.....	11	24	7
5	7	7	8
6	8	11	15
7	7	6	14
8	6	0	6
9	1	0	0
10 or more.....	48	46	36
(don't know/refused).....	13	7	14

RESUME ASKING ALL

10. Have you or any other adult worker in your family ever been fired, suspended, written up or otherwise penalized by an employer for taking time off from work to care for a sick child or family member, or to cope with an illness yourself?

Yes	12	16	16
No.....	87	81	83
(don't know).....	1	3	1

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SPLIT SAMPLE C

11. Overall do you favor or oppose a proposal that would guarantee all workers a minimum number of paid sick days to care for themselves or immediate family members? [If favor/oppose, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly favor/oppose?]

Strongly favor	71	81	77
Not so strongly favor	13	11	8
Not so strongly oppose	4	4	2
Strongly oppose	6	3	10
(don't know).....	5	2	4
 Favor	 84	 92	 84
Oppose.....	11	7	12

END SPLIT SAMPLE C, SPLIT SAMPLE AC, GO TO Q13; SPLIT SAMPLE BC, GO TO Q14

SPLIT SAMPLE D

12. Overall do you favor or oppose a basic labor standard that would guarantee all workers a minimum number of paid sick days to care for themselves or immediate family members? [If favor/oppose, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly favor/oppose?]

Strongly favor	75	81	90
Not so strongly favor	14	10	8
Not so strongly oppose	3	5	1
Strongly oppose	5	2	2
(don't know).....	3	2	0
 Favor	 89	 91	 97
Oppose.....	8	7	3

END SPLIT SAMPLE D, SPLIT SAMPLE AD, GO TO Q13; SPLIT SAMPLE BD, GO TO Q14

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SPLIT SAMPLE A

13. Now I would like to give you some information around a proposal about paid sick days. This proposal would guarantee all workers paid sick days to care for themselves or for immediate family members, or to recover from incidents of domestic violence. Employees working for larger businesses would earn one hour of paid sick time for every 30 hours they work, capped at 72 hours of paid sick time or nine days per calendar year. Employees working for smaller businesses, with ten or fewer employees, would earn a maximum of five paid sick days per year instead of nine.

Based on this description, would you favor or oppose this proposal to provide paid sick days to all workers. [If favor/oppose, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly favor/oppose?]

Strongly favor	59	68	66
Not so strongly favor	20	18	18
Not so strongly oppose	6	5	7
Strongly oppose	11	5	9
(don't know).....	5	4	0
 Favor	 79	 86	 84
Oppose.....	17	10	16

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q15

SPLIT SAMPLE B

14. Now I would like to give you some information around a proposal about paid sick days. This proposal would guarantee seven paid sick days a year to workers employed by companies with more than 15 workers to be used to care for themselves or for immediate family members. Full-time workers would be guaranteed seven paid sick days per year, while part-time workers would be guaranteed a pro-rated amount of paid sick days.

Based on this description, would you favor or oppose this proposal to provide paid sick days to all workers. [If favor/oppose, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly favor/oppose?]

Strongly favor	71	75	85
Not so strongly favor	16	17	13
Not so strongly oppose	5	3	0
Strongly oppose	5	4	0
(don't know).....	3	0	2
 Favor	 87	 93	 98
Oppose.....	10	7	0

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q16

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SPLIT SAMPLE A

15. If a law were passed to guarantee all workers a minimum number of paid sick days, would you favor or oppose exempting small businesses of 15 or fewer employees to provide paid sick days? [If favor/oppose, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly favor/oppose?]

Strongly favor	41	50	40
Not so strongly favor	17	10	21
Not so strongly oppose	11	14	4
Strongly oppose	23	17	30
(don't know).....	8	9	4
 Favor	 58	 60	 61
Oppose.....	34	31	34

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, SPLIT SAMPLE AC, GO TO Q17; SPLIT SAMPLE AD, GO TO Q18

SPLIT SAMPLE B

16. If a law were passed to guarantee all workers a minimum number of paid sick days, would you favor or oppose having small businesses of 15 or fewer employees provide five days instead of seven days of paid sick days that larger businesses may provide? [If favor/oppose, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly favor/oppose?]

Strongly favor	53	63	64
Not so strongly favor	18	24	14
Not so strongly oppose	8	3	2
Strongly oppose	15	10	13
(don't know).....	7	1	7
 Favor	 71	 87	 78
Oppose.....	23	12	15

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, SPLIT SAMPLE BC, GO TO Q17; SPLIT SAMPLE BD, GO TO Q18

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Now I am going to read you a statement. On a scale of 0 to 10, where 10 means that you agree very strongly agree and 0 means that you don't agree at all, please tell me if you agree or disagree with the statement.

SPLIT SAMPLE C

17. _Paid sick days is a basic worker right, just like being paid a decent wage

MEAN.....	7.7	9.0	8.0
10	45	65	49
8-9	19	17	27
6-7	13	11	3
5	11	4	11
0-4	11	2	8
(don't know).....	1	1	2

END SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q19

SPLIT SAMPLE D

18. _Paid sick days is a basic workplace standard, just like being paid a decent wage

MEAN.....	8.0	8.8	8.0
10	49	61	55
8-9	20	17	16
6-7	12	13	10
5	9	10	8
0-4	8	0	12
(don't know).....	1	0	0

END SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q19

RESUME ASKING ALL

19. Should part-time workers be included in paid sick days policies on a pro-rated basis or should they not be included?

Should be pro-rated for part-time workers	71	82	81
Should not be included	23	12	14
(don't know).....	6	6	5

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Now I'd like to give you some information about a Federal law called the Family and Medical Leave Act, which is also called FMLA. The Act allows eligible employees to take up to twelve weeks of unpaid leave to care for a newborn or newly adopted child, to care for a child, spouse or parent who is seriously ill, or to recover from their own serious medical condition. The law guarantees workers can return to their job after they take leave but does not provide any income for workers while they are on leave. The Family and Medical Leave Act applies to public agencies and to private sector employers with 50 or more employees.

SPLIT SAMPLE A

20. Would you favor or oppose expanding the Family and Medical Leave Act to offer PAID family and medical leave for a set number of weeks paid for by the employee at an average cost of \$2 per week? [If favor/oppose, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly favor/oppose?]

Strongly favor	56	77	66
Not so strongly favor	19	15	15
Not so strongly oppose	7	3	4
Strongly oppose	10	2	9
(don't know).....	8	3	6
 Favor	 75	 92	 81
Oppose.....	17	5	13

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q22

SPLIT SAMPLE B

21. Would you favor or oppose expanding the Family and Medical Leave Act to offer PAID family and medical leave for a set number of weeks paid for by both the employer and employee, at an average cost of \$1 for the employer per week and an average cost of \$1 to the employee per week? [If favor/oppose, Ask: Is that strongly/not so strongly favor/oppose?]

Strongly favor	57	59	72
Not so strongly favor	19	26	14
Not so strongly oppose	6	3	6
Strongly oppose	10	7	8
(don't know).....	7	6	0
 Favor	 76	 84	 86
Oppose.....	17	10	14

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q23

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SPLIT SAMPLE A

22. If a candidate for elected office came out in support of paid sick days for all workers, would that make you more or less likely to vote for that candidate or wouldn't it make a difference? [If more/less likely, Ask: Is that much/somewhat?]

Much more likely	29	46	31
Somewhat more likely	22	17	30
Somewhat less likely	5	5	5
Much less likely	6	2	5
No difference.....	35	27	24
(don't know).....	3	2	5
 More likely	 51	 63	 61
Less likely.....	11	7	9

END SPLIT SAMPLE A, GO TO Q24

SPLIT SAMPLE B

23. If a candidate for elected office came out in support of paid family and medical leave for all workers, would that make you more or less likely to vote for that candidate or wouldn't it make a difference? [If more/less likely, Ask: Is that much/somewhat?]

Much more likely	34	51	37
Somewhat more likely	24	23	28
Somewhat less likely	3	0	0
Much less likely	5	0	2
No difference.....	31	26	29
(don't know).....	4	0	2
 More likely	 58	 74	 66
Less likely.....	8	0	2

END SPLIT SAMPLE B, GO TO Q24

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RESUME ASKING ALL

Now I am going to read you some statements people have given in support of paid sick days for all workers and I want you to tell me how convincing a message it is to make you SUPPORT paid sick days for all workers– very convincing, somewhat convincing, a little convincing, or not convincing at all.

ROTATE Q24-Q33

24. **[CHILDREN]** Children are healthier when a parent is able to stay home when the child is sick. A number of medical studies have found that children recover more quickly when a parent is present, thus saving on health care costs and creating healthier families.

Very convincing.....	55	65	66
Somewhat convincing.....	29	23	21
A little convincing.....	8	6	5
Not convincing at all.....	8	4	8
(don't know).....	1	2	0
Convincing.....	83	88	87
Not convincing.....	16	11	13

25. **[WORKING WOMEN]** The burden of inadequate paid sick day policies falls heaviest on working women. Given current norms of care-giving, women are more likely to need to stay home with a sick child or family member than men, yet women are less likely than men to have either paid sick days or paid vacation leave, and, as a result, are more likely to lose pay when they take off to care for sick kids or elderly relatives.

Very convincing.....	50	58	72
Somewhat convincing.....	32	29	15
A little convincing.....	8	8	6
Not convincing at all.....	8	4	5
(don't know).....	1	2	2
Convincing.....	83	86	87
Not convincing.....	16	11	11

26. **[ECONOMY]** Paid time off like paid sick days is good for businesses' bottom line. Such policies increase employers' ability to recruit and retain the best employees and improve productivity. Employers would benefit from reduced turnover, higher productivity, and reducing the spread of illness in the workplace. Healthy workers are critical to a healthy, productive, and vibrant economy.

Very convincing.....	54	59	62
Somewhat convincing.....	30	32	25
A little convincing.....	8	6	7
Not convincing at all.....	6	2	4
(don't know).....	2	2	2
Convincing.....	84	91	87
Not convincing.....	14	7	11

SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q27, SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q30

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SPLIT SAMPLE C

27. _ [PRESENTEEISM 1] When workers go to work sick, their co-workers pay a price - by getting sick themselves. The flu is one of the biggest causes of workplace absence, and it is highly contagious. Employers pay a price for employees coming to work sick too: Their workers aren't as productive as normal, and more will miss work as the flu spreads throughout the workplace. Letting sick workers stay home will make all workers healthier.

Very convincing.....	58	72	63
Somewhat convincing.....	26	23	27
A little convincing.....	9	2	5
Not convincing at all.....	7	1	2
(don't know).....	1	2	4
Convincing.....	83	95	89
Not convincing.....	16	3	7

SPLIT SAMPLE C

28. _ [PUBLIC HEALTH 1] Paid sick days are particularly important for workers in the restaurant, child care, and health care industries. Eighty-six percent of food service workers get no sick days and they show up in the restaurants coughing, sneezing and feverish as they prepare and serve meals. This puts all of us at risk. We will all be healthier when all workers gain the right to paid sick days.

Very convincing.....	62	79	65
Somewhat convincing.....	23	17	27
A little convincing.....	5	0	0
Not convincing at all.....	8	1	4
(don't know).....	2	3	4
Convincing.....	85	96	92
Not convincing.....	13	1	4

SPLIT SAMPLE C

29. _ [VALUE WORK/VALUE FAMILIES 1] America's economy should support strong families. Yet our outdated labor laws don't require and most employers haven't adopted standards that allow workers to both do their jobs and take care of their families. Half of America's workers don't get one paid sick day. If we believe in family values, it's time to value families. America needs new work rules to support working families.

Very convincing.....	51	65	70
Somewhat convincing.....	28	18	14
A little convincing.....	10	6	7
Not convincing at all.....	8	4	9
(don't know).....	3	7	0
Convincing.....	79	83	84
Not convincing.....	18	10	16

END SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q33

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SPLIT SAMPLE D

30. **[PRESENTEEISM 2]** When workers don't have paid sick days, their employers and co-workers pay a price. Workers may feel they cannot stay home when they are sick or go to the doctor out of fear that they will be penalized or fired for being absent. Not taking time off to regain one's health can actually lead to longer absences, which experts estimate ultimately costs millions in lost productivity.

Very convincing.....	56	57	61
Somewhat convincing.....	28	33	27
A little convincing.....	7	4	5
Not convincing at all.....	8	5	6
(don't know).....	1	1	0
 Convincing.....	 84	 90	 88
Not convincing.....	15	9	12

SPLIT SAMPLE D

31. **[PREVENTIVE CARE]** Maintaining the health of workers and their families requires getting in to see a doctor. Preventive care like mammograms, prostate screenings, and immunizations for children usually have to happen during the day when doctor's offices are open. Without providing workers paid time off to deal with these appointments, conditions could worsen or go undetected and, in turn, place even greater demands on health care resources.

Very convincing.....	55	68	61
Somewhat convincing.....	29	25	21
A little convincing.....	9	6	12
Not convincing at all.....	6	1	5
(don't know).....	1	0	0
 Convincing.....	 84	 93	 83
Not convincing.....	15	7	17

SPLIT SAMPLE D

32. **[VALUE WORK/VALUE FAMILIES 2]** In America, you shouldn't have to risk your job to take care of your family, and you shouldn't have to put your family at risk just to do your job. Unfortunately, many workers face these choices every day. We are in the 21st century, but our workplaces are operating under 19th century terms. Our nation needs new labor standards to accommodate the needs of today's working families. If we believe in family values, it's time to value families.

Very convincing.....	53	61	70
Somewhat convincing.....	30	29	17
A little convincing.....	7	7	8
Not convincing at all.....	10	2	2
(don't know).....	1	1	2
 Convincing.....	 83	 90	 87
Not convincing.....	16	9	10

END SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q33

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RESUME ASKING ALL

33. **[ELDER CARE]** Family and work patterns have changed dramatically in recent decades, yet workplace policies have not kept pace. Twenty five percent of Americans report significant elder care responsibilities, many of whom are forced to reduce their work hours or take time off to provide care for an elderly relative.

Very convincing.....	48	58	58
Somewhat convincing.....	33	30	24
A little convincing.....	10	9	14
Not convincing at all.....	6	1	3
(don't know).....	3	2	1
 Convincing.....	 81	 88	 82
Not convincing.....	17	10	17

Now I am going to read you some statements people have given in opposition to paid sick days for all workers and I want you to tell me how convincing a message it is to make you oppose paid sick days for all workers– very convincing, somewhat convincing, a little convincing, or not convincing at all.

ROTATE Q34-Q37

SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q34; SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q36

SPLIT SAMPLE C

34. **[ABUSE]** Legislating paid sick days opens up the door to abuse of leave policies by employees. Some employees will use paid sick days as an extension of vacation days but without giving advance notice, leaving employers scrambling to find replacements for absent worker, which is not possible for some small businesses. Abuse of paid sick days translates into lost dollars for businesses and higher costs for consumers.

Very convincing.....	27	30	30
Somewhat convincing.....	26	25	18
A little convincing.....	20	18	18
Not convincing at all.....	25	23	35
(don't know).....	2	3	0
 Convincing.....	 53	 56	 47
Not convincing.....	45	41	53

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35. **_[ECONOMY]** In this economy, we need more good jobs, not fewer. Legislating paid sick days will hurt our economy and raise the costs of employers to do business. With the minimum wage and other costs of doing business already rising, the last thing employers, especially small businesses, need right now is an additional cost around providing paid sick days to employees.

Very convincing.....	23	21	22
Somewhat convincing	26	25	24
A little convincing	14	17	14
Not convincing at all.....	33	31	41
(don't know).....	4	6	0
 Convincing	 49	 46	 46
Not convincing.....	47	48	54

END SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q38

SPLIT SAMPLE D

36. **_[HURTS EMPLOYEES]** If employers were forced to provide paid sick days, employees would have to choose between benefits and wages, especially low-wage workers who would prefer higher wages. Many employees wouldn't put paid sick days first if they could add to their overall compensation. Most workers would put a higher salary first, or health insurance coverage.

Very convincing.....	21	12	24
Somewhat convincing	29	51	31
A little convincing	19	15	19
Not convincing at all.....	25	18	22
(don't know).....	7	3	4
 Convincing	 50	 64	 55
Not convincing.....	43	33	41

37. **_[SMALL BUSINESS MANDATE]** Mandating employers to offer paid sick days is an unfair burden on businesses, particularly small businesses and unnecessary government interference. Compliance would result in the loss of flexibility and freedom to compete and therefore employers could lose money and have to cut jobs or lower wages. A one-size-fits-all mandate does not take into account the differences between the small bakery, medium-sized manufacturer, or large hospital.

Very convincing.....	26	16	24
Somewhat convincing	27	31	29
A little convincing	17	21	14
Not convincing at all.....	27	27	34
(don't know).....	4	5	0
 Convincing	 52	 47	 53
Not convincing.....	44	48	47

END SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q38

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Now I am going to read you some statements people have given in support of PAID family and medical leave for all workers paid for by the employee at an average cost of \$1-\$2 per week and I want you to tell me how convincing a message it is to make you SUPPORT paid family and medical leave for all workers—very convincing, somewhat convincing, a little convincing, or not convincing at all.

ROTATE Q38-Q42

38. **_[REAL CHOICE]** Providing paid family and medical leave will ensure that in the future, workers will no longer be forced to choose between family and work. For over a decade we have guaranteed family and medical leave for a new baby or family illness for workers in larger firms, but many families can't afford to take it because it is unpaid. This will give families a real choice.

Very convincing.....	46	57	54
Somewhat convincing	33	29	31
A little convincing	10	6	8
Not convincing at all.....	8	6	5
(don't know).....	3	3	2
 Convincing	 79	 85	 85
Not convincing.....	18	12	13

39. **_[FAMILY VALUES]** Paid family and medical leave promotes good family values by giving parents time to care for their newborn children during those first critical weeks, as well as the time to care for a child or parent with a serious illness like cancer. Family values should mean really valuing families and this is an important step.

Very convincing.....	53	60	59
Somewhat convincing	30	25	26
A little convincing	8	8	9
Not convincing at all.....	7	3	5
(don't know).....	2	4	1
 Convincing	 83	 86	 85
Not convincing.....	15	11	14

40. **_[AFFORDABLE]** Larger employers are required to offer family and medical leave but many cannot take it because this leave is unpaid precisely at a time when families may need more money. One to two dollars per pay week, the price of a cup of coffee, can create an insurance fund that will provide paid leave when people really need it.

Very convincing.....	46	56	51
Somewhat convincing	34	27	34
A little convincing	9	7	8
Not convincing at all.....	8	6	6
(don't know).....	3	4	1
 Convincing	 80	 84	 85
Not convincing.....	17	13	14

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SPLIT SAMPLE C

41. **_[NEWBORN CHILD]** Providing paid family and medical leave gives parents time to care for their newly born babies without having to worry about losing their jobs or financial hardship. It also gives babies the best care, from their own parents, during those critical early weeks of life.

Very convincing.....	58	67	53
Somewhat convincing	24	25	26
A little convincing	8	4	11
Not convincing at all.....	9	3	10
(don't know).....	2	2	0
Convincing	81	92	79
Not convincing.....	17	7	21

END SPLIT SAMPLE C, GO TO Q43**SPLIT SAMPLE D**

42. **_[ILL PARENT]** Providing paid medical leave allows workers to care for a seriously ill parent without having to worry about losing their jobs or financial hardship. Increasingly more and more families are facing the issue of dealing with aging and sick parents. This helps deal with that reality.

Very convincing.....	55	62	57
Somewhat convincing	28	28	28
A little convincing	8	4	8
Not convincing at all.....	7	5	4
(don't know).....	3	1	4
Convincing	83	90	85
Not convincing.....	15	10	11

END SPLIT SAMPLE D, GO TO Q43

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Thank you. The few remaining questions are for statistical purposes only.

43. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an independent, or something else?

[IF REPUBLICAN OR DEMOCRAT ASK:] Do you consider yourself a strong (Republican/Democrat) or a not so strong (Republican/Democrat)?
 [IF INDEPENDENT ASK:] Would you say that you lean more toward the Republicans or more toward the Democrats?

Strong Democrat	30	61	44
Not so strong Democrat	7	8	9
Indep. leans Democrat	7	8	10
Democrats	44	78	63
Independent	17	10	14
Republicans	35	8	19
Indep. leans Republican	7	2	6
Not so strong Republican.....	10	3	6
Strong Republican.....	17	4	7
(dk/na/other).....	4	4	4

44. What is your age? [CODE ACTUAL AGE. REFUSED=99] _____

45. **If Refused:** I am going to read you some age categories. Please stop me when we get to your category:

18-24 years	4	3	9
25-29	5	4	12
30-34	6	11	8
35-39	8	8	9
40-44	7	7	11
45-49	10	10	13
50-54	10	8	12
55-59	11	13	8
60-64	9	7	6
65-69	6	8	2
70-74	7	7	4
75 and over	14	12	4
(refused/don't know).....	3	3	3

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46. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

DO NOT READ

1 - 11th grade.....	6	11	11
High school graduate.....	26	30	30
Non-college post H.S.(e.g. tech).....	5	6	5
Some college (incl. jr. college or associate degree).....	25	30	32
College graduate.....	25	13	19
Post-graduate school.....	13	9	4
(don't know).....	1	2	0

47. Are you married, unmarried with a partner, single, separated, widowed, or divorced?

Married.....	60	40	51
Unmarried with partner.....	4	6	10
Single.....	12	18	18
Separated/divorced.....	9	17	16
Widowed.....	13	18	3
(don't know).....	1	1	2

48. Do you have any children ages eighteen or younger, living at home with you?

Yes.....	30	33	46
No.....	69	66	53
(don't know).....	1	1	1

49. Are you or is any member of your household a member of a teachers' association or a labor union?

Yes - teachers.....	7	9	5
Yes - labor.....	9	9	11
Yes – both.....	2	2	1
Neither.....	80	78	79
(don't know).....	2	1	5