

# Omnibus Poll

March 4 - 5, 2013



## 1. How to reduce the federal budget deficit

Which of the following comes closest to your view on how to reduce the federal budget deficit?

	Gender			Age				Party ID			Voter Registration	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Registered	Not registered
We could eliminate most of the deficit by cutting waste and fraud	69%	67%	72%	60%	69%	68%	81%	64%	68%	79%	70%	66%
We need painful choices about taxes or spending to cut the deficit	22%	26%	17%	23%	21%	26%	14%	28%	18%	18%	23%	7%
Not sure	9%	7%	11%	17%	10%	6%	5%	8%	14%	3%	7%	28%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (469)	100% (531)	100% (202)	100% (272)	100% (366)	100% (158)	100% (374)	100% (384)	100% (242)	100% (910)	100% (90)

	Total	Race			Education					
		White	Black	Hispanic	Less than high school	High school	Some college	College grad	Post grad	
We could eliminate most of the deficit by cutting waste and fraud	69%	69%	70%	71%	65%	79%	67%	63%	50%	
We need painful choices about taxes or spending to cut the deficit	22%	24%	17%	15%	12%	12%	24%	33%	45%	
Not sure	9%	8%	13%	14%	23%	9%	10%	5%	4%	
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (799)	100% (101)	100% (100)	100% (44)	100% (333)	100% (359)	100% (183)	100% (81)	

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## 2. Which is a bigger source of waste

Thinking about money wasted by the federal government, which of the following do you think is a bigger source of waste?

	Gender			Age				Party ID			Voter Registration	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Registered	Not registered
Money spent on programs that are unnecessary	60%	59%	60%	55%	54%	61%	71%	53%	59%	70%	61%	51%
Money spent ineffectively on programs that are necessary	26%	28%	24%	25%	30%	27%	21%	29%	25%	24%	27%	22%
Neither of these	5%	4%	7%	6%	5%	7%	3%	8%	6%	1%	6%	5%
Not sure	9%	9%	9%	14%	11%	6%	5%	10%	11%	5%	7%	22%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (469)	100% (531)	100% (202)	100% (272)	100% (366)	100% (158)	100% (374)	100% (384)	100% (242)	100% (910)	100% (90)

	Total	Race			Education				
		White	Black	Hispanic	Less than high school	High school	Some college	College grad	Post grad
Money spent on programs that are unnecessary	60%	61%	63%	52%	69%	61%	57%	60%	51%
Money spent ineffectively on programs that are necessary	26%	27%	21%	26%	11%	23%	27%	31%	39%
Neither of these	5%	5%	7%	5%	10%	4%	6%	3%	9%
Not sure	9%	7%	10%	17%	9%	11%	9%	7%	1%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (799)	100% (101)	100% (100)	100% (44)	100% (333)	100% (359)	100% (183)	100% (81)

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## 3. Opinion on March 1st across the board cuts to federal spending

Which comes closest to your opinion about the across the board cuts to federal spending that went into effect on March 1? Do you think they are...?

	Gender			Age				Party ID			Voter Registration	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Registered	Not registered
A bad idea because they don't distinguish good cuts from bad	50%	47%	52%	38%	45%	56%	58%	64%	46%	34%	52%	33%
A good idea because they force all agencies to get by with less	31%	39%	23%	28%	35%	29%	33%	16%	32%	52%	32%	22%
Not sure	19%	14%	25%	34%	20%	15%	9%	20%	22%	14%	16%	45%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (469)	100% (531)	100% (202)	100% (272)	100% (366)	100% (158)	100% (374)	100% (384)	100% (242)	100% (910)	100% (90)

	Total	Race			Education				
		White	Black	Hispanic	Less than high school	High school	Some college	College grad	Post grad
A bad idea because they don't distinguish good cuts from bad	50%	51%	50%	45%	41%	47%	49%	54%	61%
A good idea because they force all agencies to get by with less	31%	34%	21%	27%	22%	31%	31%	34%	31%
Not sure	19%	16%	29%	28%	37%	21%	19%	12%	8%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (1,000)	100% (799)	100% (101)	100% (100)	100% (44)	100% (333)	100% (359)	100% (183)	100% (81)