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The Americans' Evolving Values Surveys were conducted by the University of Michigan Institute for Social Research in June 2009, December 2009, and March 2010. The Surveys were conducted as part of the ongoing monthly Survey of Consumers, sponsored by the University of Michigan and Thomson Reuters.

The target population is adults, who are 18 or older, living in the coterminous U.S. (48 States plus the District of Columbia). The study's sample of respondents consists of approximately 60% newly-selected random digit dialing (RDD) cases and 40% re-contact cases who completed an interview six months earlier. Therefore, in this analysis, a subset of respondents provided data in both June and December 2009. Selection of the RDD cases is based on a list-assisted sampling design stratified by geography and urbanicity. After households are contacted, a listing of all eligible household members is made. Then, the computer randomly selects an adult household member to participate in the survey. Data are collected using computer-assisted telephone interviewing. The AAPOR response rate (RR2) was 47% in June 2009, 46% in December 2009, and 47% in March 2010.

Frequency tables with estimates of percentages and standard errors that account for stratification and weighting were prepared using SAS. The weighted percentage estimates for all Americans' Evolving Values Survey items by month are provided in this report. The margin of error (approximately two standard errors) varies by item and percentage reported but for overall reporting purposes with a sample size of approximately 500 and an average design effect of 1.3 an estimate of $\pm 5\%$ can be used. Please note that response categories, "6. Doesn't apply", "7. Do not criticize/oppose", "8. DK", and "9. NA", are treated as missing. Detailed counts by category of missing data are shown for the items that have a missing data rate greater than 5%.

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1001 MA1. The next section is about American values. We ask these questions every now and then to see if people's opinions change regarding issues that are of ongoing interest to Americans. For each question, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.

I see myself as a typical American.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	35.9%
2. Agree	53.0%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	3.0%
4. Disagree	5.7%
5. Strongly disagree	2.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)

1002 MA2. Being an American is important to me.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	59.2%
2. Agree	36.7%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	1.9%
4. Disagree	1.7%
5. Strongly disagree	0.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)

1003 MA3. It makes me feel good when I see the American flag flying.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	57.9%	66.7%	66.3%
2. Agree	34.5%	24.3%	26.4%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	6.2%	7.6%	6.2%
4. Disagree	1.2%	1.2%	1.0%
5. Strongly disagree	0.2%	0.2%	0.1%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)	493 (0)	499 (1)

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1004 MA4. It makes me feel good when I hear the national anthem.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	58.1%	67.2%	66.1%
2. Agree	34.3%	25.9%	27.2%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	5.8%	6.3%	6.2%
4. Disagree	1.5%	0.6%	0.2%
5. Strongly disagree	0.2%	0.0%	0.2%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)	492 (1)	500 (0)

1005 MA5. If I criticize the United States, I do so out of love of country.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	38.6%	43.4%	43.1%
2. Agree	44.2%	37.0%	34.7%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	7.3%	9.3%	8.1%
4. Disagree	8.1%	8.3%	10.7%
5. Strongly disagree	1.7%	2.0%	3.5%
Number of observations used (missing*)	452 (51)	464 (29)	474 (26)

Details for missing frequencies are shown in the below table:

Category	9-Jun		9-Dec		10-Mar	
	Freq	(Weighted)	Freq	(Weighted)	Freq	Weighted
6. Doesn't apply; not American	0	(0)	1	(1.25)	3	(2.25)
7. Do not criticize	49	(48.25)	24	(23.54)	20	(17)
8. DK	2	(1.25)	1	(0.75)	1	(0.5)
9. NA	0	(0)	3	(3.25)	2	(1.25)
Total missing	51	(49.5)	29	(28.79)	26	(21)

1006 MA6. If I oppose some U.S. policies, it is because I want to improve my country.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	46.6%	53.4%	52.7%
2. Agree	47.6%	42.2%	41.0%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	2.1%	2.6%	3.6%
4. Disagree	3.0%	1.8%	2.4%
5. Strongly disagree	0.7%	0.0%	0.3%
Number of observations used (missing)	497 (6)	490 (3)	498 (2)

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1007 MA7. I support U.S. policies because they are the policies of my country.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	17.9%	18.3%	17.0%
2. Agree	45.3%	41.6%	41.7%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	16.3%	17.3%	18.2%
4. Disagree	16.4%	17.0%	15.4%
5. Strongly disagree	4.1%	5.7%	7.6%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	487 (6)	496 (4)

1008 MA8. I believe that U.S. policies are morally correct.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	9.4%	10.0%	6.5%
2. Agree	40.3%	33.3%	38.4%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	23.7%	27.9%	26.6%
4. Disagree	22.6%	23.8%	21.0%
5. Strongly disagree	3.9%	5.0%	7.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	497 (6)	486 (7)	489 (11)

1009 MA9. It is America's destiny to set an example for the rest of the world.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	28.0%
2. Agree	37.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	15.8%
4. Disagree	14.6%
5. Strongly disagree	3.9%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)

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1010 MA10. American values should actively be spread around the world.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	11.3%	11.8%	10.4%
2. Agree	35.4%	31.4%	27.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	19.2%	19.5%	19.6%
4. Disagree	27.9%	32.2%	35.6%
5. Strongly disagree	6.1%	5.1%	6.8%
Number of observations used (missing)	497 (6)	486 (7)	489 (11)

1011 MA11. The world would be a better place if people from other countries were more like Americans.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	7.3%	10.2%	7.2%
2. Agree	25.2%	25.6%	24.4%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	23.5%	22.3%	21.4%
4. Disagree	33.1%	34.4%	39.1%
5. Strongly disagree	10.8%	7.6%	8.0%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)	490 (3)	493 (7)

1012 MB1. The next section is about your views on economic values. Again, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.

The free market is the best guarantee of economic prosperity.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	20.8%
2. Agree	49.9%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	18.1%
4. Disagree	8.7%
5. Strongly disagree	2.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	494 (9)

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1013 MB2. The free market economy is the best system on which to base the future of the United States.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	21.1%	27.8%	23.6%
2. Agree	51.1%	46.7%	50.8%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	16.7%	13.6%	14.4%
4. Disagree	8.9%	9.7%	9.4%
5. Strongly disagree	2.2%	2.2%	1.8%
Number of observations used (missing)	497 (6)	489 (4)	494 (6)

1014 MB3. Accumulating wealth is important to me.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	15.0%
2. Agree	40.9%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	20.2%
4. Disagree	20.7%
5. Strongly disagree	3.2%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)

1015 MB4. My financial security is important to me.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	47.5%	71.9%	65.8%
2. Agree	50.6%	27.8%	33.1%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	0.4%	0.0%	0.8%
4. Disagree	1.1%	0.3%	0.2%
5. Strongly disagree	0.3%	0.0%	0.0%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)	493 (0)	499 (1)

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1016 MB5. We worry too much about the future of the environment and not enough about prices and jobs today.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	15.9%	17.1%	17.4%
2. Agree	28.3%	29.7%	28.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	11.0%	11.9%	13.7%
4. Disagree	32.6%	28.0%	29.7%
5. Strongly disagree	12.1%	13.3%	10.6%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	491 (2)	498 (2)

1017 MB6. Economic growth must be a priority for the United States, even if it harms the environment.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	3.4%
2. Agree	18.3%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	12.8%
4. Disagree	48.9%
5. Strongly disagree	16.6%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)

1018 MC1. Now, a couple questions about your views on security and safety. (Again, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.)

The protection of the United States from both internal and external threats is a major concern for me.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	38.4%	42.6%	41.4%
2. Agree	46.6%	43.9%	46.2%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	7.9%	8.2%	5.0%
4. Disagree	6.2%	5.3%	7.1%
5. Strongly disagree	1.1%	0.0%	0.3%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	493 (0)	500 (0)

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1019 MC2. I am willing to give up any freedom the government asks me to give up in order to protect this country's safety.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	8.3%	8.4%	7.0%
2. Agree	24.3%	29.6%	27.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	15.0%	11.0%	14.4%
4. Disagree	34.4%	32.2%	32.8%
5. Strongly disagree	18.0%	18.8%	18.3%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)	489 (4)	495 (5)

1021 MD1. The next section is about your views on equality. Again, for each question, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.

I believe everyone should have equal opportunities in life.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	44.1%	57.0%	54.5%
2. Agree	50.4%	39.8%	42.5%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	2.5%	0.4%	1.1%
4. Disagree	2.1%	2.6%	1.7%
5. Strongly disagree	0.8%	0.2%	0.3%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)	490 (3)	498 (2)

1022 MD2. The government should make sure that all people have the same opportunities.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	27.5%
2. Agree	46.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	6.0%
4. Disagree	15.1%
5. Strongly disagree	4.8%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)

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1025 MD3. The gap between the rich and poor in America is too large.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	32.8%	35.3%	32.9%
2. Agree	40.8%	39.4%	40.3%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	9.6%	9.5%	10.5%
4. Disagree	14.4%	14.7%	13.6%
5. Strongly disagree	2.4%	1.2%	2.7%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)	491 (2)	495 (5)

1026 MD4. Ordinary working people get their fair share of this nation's wealth.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09
1. Strongly agree	3.1%	2.2%
2. Agree	23.5%	22.0%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	12.1%	12.0%
4. Disagree	46.3%	46.2%
5. Strongly disagree	15.0%	17.7%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)	486 (7)

1027 MD5. If minorities don't do well in life, they have no one to blame but themselves.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	7.5%	8.9%	7.0%
2. Agree	26.5%	24.3%	27.3%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	16.0%	18.0%	16.6%
4. Disagree	36.6%	35.3%	34.3%
5. Strongly disagree	13.4%	13.4%	14.8%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)	491 (2)	494 (6)

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1028 MD6. Affirmative action programs help make up for past discrimination against minorities.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	3.5%
2. Agree	30.1%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	21.3%
4. Disagree	34.8%
5. Strongly disagree	10.3%
Number of observations used (missing)	492 (11)

1029 MD7. Immigrants should adopt American values.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	22.4%	28.5%	27.3%
2. Agree	47.1%	46.6%	41.4%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	16.5%	11.4%	14.1%
4. Disagree	11.4%	11.9%	15.1%
5. Strongly disagree	2.6%	1.5%	2.1%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	490 (3)	497 (3)

1030 MD8. Immigrants should have the same legal rights as U.S. citizens.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	10.4%
2. Agree	37.9%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	11.4%
4. Disagree	32.8%
5. Strongly disagree	7.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	484 (19)

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1031 ME1. Now I will read you some ideas about what freedom means. I would like you to consider each one individually and tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.

Freedom is being left alone to do what I want.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	6.6%	10.1%	8.3%
2. Agree	37.1%	33.6%	30.3%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	13.8%	12.2%	13.5%
4. Disagree	37.7%	38.2%	40.8%
5. Strongly disagree	4.9%	6.0%	7.2%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	490 (3)	497 (3)

1032 ME2. Freedom is having a government that doesn't interfere in my life.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	9.7%
2. Agree	40.0%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	15.2%
4. Disagree	33.4%
5. Strongly disagree	1.6%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)

1033 ME3. Freedom is having the right to participate in politics and elections.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	39.7%
2. Agree	58.2%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	0.8%
4. Disagree	1.2%
5. Strongly disagree	0.0%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)

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1034 ME4. Freedom is being able to express unpopular ideas without fearing for my safety.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	39.5%	34.7%	33.1%
2. Agree	55.5%	56.2%	58.9%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	1.6%	2.9%	2.6%
4. Disagree	3.2%	6.0%	4.8%
5. Strongly disagree	0.2%	0.2%	0.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	491 (2)	499 (1)

1035 MF1. The next section is about your views on enjoying life. Again, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.

I seek every chance to enjoy myself.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	21.2%
2. Agree	58.4%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	11.2%
4. Disagree	8.1%
5. Strongly disagree	1.2%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)

1036 MF2. I like to spoil myself.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	5.7%
2. Agree	35.4%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	21.6%
4. Disagree	33.5%
5. Strongly disagree	3.9%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)

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1037 MF3. Having leisure time is important for my happiness.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	23.4%	39.9%	41.4%
2. Agree	66.6%	55.4%	55.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	4.7%	3.2%	1.6%
4. Disagree	4.7%	1.5%	1.4%
5. Strongly disagree	0.7%	0.0%	0.0%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	493 (0)	499 (1)

1038 MF4. If I work hard, I deserve time to enjoy life.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	29.5%	38.2%	38.4%
2. Agree	64.1%	57.2%	55.4%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	3.3%	4.0%	4.3%
4. Disagree	3.0%	0.5%	1.9%
5. Strongly disagree	0.0%	0.1%	0.0%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)	493 (0)	499 (1)

1040 MG1. Respect for people from different racial and ethnic groups is important to me.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	45.5%	51.0%	51.4%
2. Agree	51.4%	43.9%	44.3%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	1.4%	2.8%	2.0%
4. Disagree	1.6%	1.8%	1.8%
5. Strongly disagree	0.1%	0.5%	0.4%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	491 (2)	500 (0)

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1041 MG2. Now, some statements about deciding what is right and wrong. (Again, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.)

Respect for all faiths is important to me.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	42.6%	43.7%	45.9%
2. Agree	50.2%	48.8%	48.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	4.6%	4.5%	2.2%
4. Disagree	2.1%	2.3%	3.0%
5. Strongly disagree	0.6%	0.7%	0.4%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	489 (4)	498 (2)

1044 MG3. What is right and wrong is up to each person to decide.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	10.0%	7.6%	9.7%
2. Agree	27.6%	29.2%	27.1%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	12.0%	12.0%	13.1%
4. Disagree	40.3%	39.8%	38.6%
5. Strongly disagree	10.1%	11.5%	11.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	503 (0)	491 (2)	494 (6)

1045 MG4. American children should be raised to believe in God.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	21.7%	24.3%	23.6%
2. Agree	35.5%	38.1%	33.5%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	18.4%	17.5%	23.1%
4. Disagree	18.8%	15.6%	16.2%
5. Strongly disagree	5.6%	4.6%	3.6%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)	488 (5)	500 (0)

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1046 MG5. There can never be absolutely clear guidelines about what is right and wrong because it depends entirely upon the circumstances at the time.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	9.4%
2. Agree	44.8%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	10.7%
4. Disagree	26.3%
5. Strongly disagree	8.8%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)

1047 MG6. Right and wrong should be based on God's law.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	14.1%	19.5%	20.2%
2. Agree	34.4%	38.1%	31.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	16.1%	17.3%	23.1%
4. Disagree	26.6%	19.2%	17.9%
5. Strongly disagree	8.8%	5.9%	7.2%
Number of observations used (missing)	495 (8)	489 (4)	494 (6)

1048 MH1. The next section is about your views on life. Again, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree or strongly disagree.

Providing health care to everyone would be a sign that people in this country value other people's lives.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	19.6%	20.2%	19.6%
2. Agree	48.5%	45.8%	48.2%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	13.0%	11.5%	10.0%
4. Disagree	14.1%	18.9%	17.2%
5. Strongly disagree	4.8%	3.5%	4.9%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)	491 (2)	496 (4)

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1050 MH2. A woman should be able to get a legal abortion if the woman's own health is seriously endangered by the pregnancy.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	31.4%	34.2%	30.3%
2. Agree	53.8%	50.7%	51.1%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	6.4%	5.9%	7.2%
4. Disagree	5.3%	7.0%	7.0%
5. Strongly disagree	3.1%	2.2%	4.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	490 (3)	500 (0)

1051 MH3. A woman should be able to get a legal abortion if there is a strong chance of a serious defect in the baby.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	21.5%	22.8%	18.0%
2. Agree	45.1%	42.1%	42.8%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	13.8%	12.2%	15.9%
4. Disagree	13.2%	17.3%	14.2%
5. Strongly disagree	6.4%	5.6%	9.2%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)	487 (6)	496 (4)

1052 MH4. A woman should be able to get a legal abortion for any reason, if she wants it.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	10.7%	11.9%	11.3%
2. Agree	30.5%	26.2%	26.8%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	12.9%	9.4%	10.9%
4. Disagree	27.5%	29.1%	28.7%
5. Strongly disagree	18.5%	23.4%	22.2%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	491 (2)	498 (2)

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1068 MH5. Terminally ill adults should have the legal right to end their own lives.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	13.6%	17.0%	15.0%
2. Agree	41.6%	41.6%	39.0%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	15.7%	11.7%	16.1%
4. Disagree	20.6%	21.7%	20.0%
5. Strongly disagree	8.6%	8.0%	9.9%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	491 (2)	494 (6)

1069 MH6. Scientists should modify human genes to cure serious diseases.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	11.5%	13.1%	6.0%
2. Agree	46.5%	45.7%	49.8%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	20.8%	18.2%	21.5%
4. Disagree	15.9%	17.5%	18.1%
5. Strongly disagree	5.2%	5.6%	4.6%
Number of observations used (missing)	499 (4)	488 (5)	489 (11)

1070 MH7. The death penalty is appropriate punishment for persons convicted of murder.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	17.9%	24.4%	18.4%
2. Agree	45.4%	45.2%	46.9%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	16.2%	12.5%	12.0%
4. Disagree	15.1%	13.6%	17.3%
5. Strongly disagree	5.4%	4.4%	5.3%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)	491 (2)	498 (2)

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**1071 MI1. Now, I would like to ask a few questions about religious and spiritual beliefs.
(Again, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.)**

God is important in my life.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	48.0%	54.3%	51.9%
2. Agree	38.3%	28.8%	35.2%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	5.6%	7.3%	6.1%
4. Disagree	5.4%	7.0%	5.1%
5. Strongly disagree	2.7%	2.6%	1.7%
Number of observations used (missing)	498 (5)	493 (0)	498 (2)

1072 MI2. Attending religious services is important to me.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	28.5%	32.7%	30.2%
2. Agree	33.3%	33.9%	35.5%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	13.5%	12.1%	14.0%
4. Disagree	20.1%	16.2%	15.9%
5. Strongly disagree	4.6%	5.1%	4.4%
Number of observations used (missing)	499 (4)	493 (0)	497 (3)

1073 MI3. My whole approach to life is based on my religion or spirituality.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	23.4%
2. Agree	38.7%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	13.5%
4. Disagree	20.7%
5. Strongly disagree	3.7%
Number of observations used (missing)	499 (4)

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1074 MJ1. People often talk about whether they have liberal or conservative values. We'd like to see where you are on this scale. Would you say you are very liberal, liberal, middle of the road, conservative, or very conservative?

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Very liberal	3.0%	3.6%	4.9%
2. Liberal	18.8%	18.7%	17.2%
3. Middle of road	41.7%	38.6%	40.2%
4. Conservative	28.7%	30.6%	28.0%
5. Very conservative	7.8%	8.5%	9.7%
Number of observations used (missing)	499 (4)	493 (0)	497 (3)

1075 MJ2. Now, please tell me to what extent you agree or disagree with the following statement. I am liberal about some issues and conservative about others. Would you say you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree?

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09
1. Strongly agree	22.8%	20.1%
2. Agree	50.4%	50.3%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	13.1%	10.8%
4. Disagree	10.3%	14.4%
5. Strongly disagree	3.4%	4.4%
Number of observations used (missing)	500 (3)	490 (3)

1076 MK1. The next section is about your values and views on family. Again, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.

A man's job is to earn money; a woman's job is to look after the home and family.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	2.7%
2. Agree	15.2%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	15.1%
4. Disagree	45.6%
5. Strongly disagree	21.4%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)

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1077 MK2. A child needs a home with both a father and a mother to grow up happy.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	19.7%	16.8%	22.2%
2. Agree	34.4%	34.3%	29.9%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	12.5%	11.8%	11.4%
4. Disagree	25.9%	30.3%	32.8%
5. Strongly disagree	7.6%	6.8%	3.7%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	492 (1)	499 (1)

1078 MK3. Marriage should be defined solely as between one man and one woman.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	33.2%	35.9%	34.2%
2. Agree	30.5%	31.6%	28.2%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	8.1%	8.7%	11.3%
4. Disagree	17.3%	15.0%	18.1%
5. Strongly disagree	10.8%	8.7%	8.3%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	493 (0)	499 (1)

**1079 ML1. The next section is about how you see yourself and your relationships with others.
(Again, please tell me whether you strongly agree, agree, neither agree nor disagree, disagree, or strongly disagree.)**

My personal identity, independent from others, is important to me.

Response scale	Jun 09
1. Strongly agree	33.6%
2. Agree	61.5%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	3.1%
4. Disagree	1.9%
5. Strongly disagree	0.0%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)

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1080 ML2. I would rather depend on myself than on others.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	31.6%	33.7%	29.3%
2. Agree	54.5%	55.5%	56.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	8.9%	4.6%	5.5%
4. Disagree	4.6%	5.4%	8.1%
5. Strongly disagree	0.5%	0.8%	0.7%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	491 (2)	499 (1)

1081 ML3. I rely on myself most of the time.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	27.3%	29.4%	30.2%
2. Agree	58.5%	58.5%	52.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	7.2%	6.3%	8.8%
4. Disagree	7.1%	5.2%	8.0%
5. Strongly disagree	0.0%	0.6%	0.4%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	493 (0)	500 (0)

1082 ML4. I think it is important to be ambitious.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09
1. Strongly agree	33.1%	36.3%
2. Agree	56.6%	56.1%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	6.1%	5.3%
4. Disagree	4.2%	2.2%
5. Strongly disagree	0.0%	0.0%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	492 (1)

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1083 ML5. Getting ahead in life is important to me.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	21.4%	26.3%	20.5%
2. Agree	53.2%	49.6%	51.6%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	16.9%	15.2%	17.9%
4. Disagree	8.2%	8.2%	10.1%
5. Strongly disagree	0.3%	0.7%	0.0%
Number of observations used (missing)	501 (2)	493 (0)	497 (3)

1084 ML6. I believe all the world's people should live in harmony.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	35.4%	33.1%	29.6%
2. Agree	56.2%	59.0%	58.4%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	4.8%	5.8%	9.5%
4. Disagree	3.0%	1.7%	2.0%
5. Strongly disagree	0.6%	0.3%	0.5%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	489 (4)	498 (2)

1085 ML7. I want everyone to be treated justly, even people I don't know.

Response scale	Jun 09	Dec 09	Mar 10
1. Strongly agree	43.6%	40.0%	37.5%
2. Agree	54.4%	59.6%	60.7%
3. Neither agree nor disagree	1.8%	0.0%	0.6%
4. Disagree	0.2%	0.5%	1.0%
5. Strongly disagree	0.0%	0.0%	0.2%
Number of observations used (missing)	502 (1)	492 (1)	500 (0)

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