

PRRI/RNS January 2011 Survey
January 13-16, 2011
N= 1,006

Q.1 President Obama will soon be delivering the annual State of the Union address. With that in mind, if you had to grade the current moral climate in the U.S. today would you give it an A, a B, a C, a D or an F?

6	A
16	B
38	C
19	D
18	F
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.2 Compared to other industrialized nations, do you think the moral climate in the United States is better, worse or is it about the same?

22	Better
24	Worse
50	About the same
1	Other (VOL.)
<u>3</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.3 Which of the following is the BIGGEST obstacle for political leaders who want to change the tone in Washington and work across party lines? **[READ; RANDOMIZE]**

15	The Tea Party
12	Conservative talk radio
17	Cable news commentators
13	Liberal bloggers
8	Conservative religious leaders
6	Progressive religious leaders
1	All of the above (VOL.)
9	Other [VOL.--SPECIFY]
3	Political leaders should not change the tone/work across party lines (VOL.)
<u>16</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Q.4 HELD FOR FURTHER ANALYSIS

Q.5 How much, if at all, do you believe that harsh anti-government and violent language in the political debate contributed to the targeting of a member of Congress in Arizona? Would you say... **[READ IN ORDER]**

24	A lot
27	A little
40	Not at all
<u>9</u>	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)
100	Total

Note: Numbers may not add to 100% due to rounding

Methodology

The survey was designed and conducted by Public Religion Research Institute. Results of the survey were based on RDD telephone interviews conducted between January 13, 2011 and January 16, 2011 by professional interviewers under the direction of Opinion Research Corporation. Interviews were conducted among a random sample of 1,006 adults 18 years of age or older living in private households in the continental United States.

The final sample was weighted to five different parameters—age, sex, geographic region, education and race—to ensure reliable and accurate representation of the total adult population.

The margin of error for the survey is +/- 3.0 percentage points at the 95% level of confidence. In addition to sampling error, surveys may also be subject to error or bias due to question wording, context and order effects.