# UMASS LOWELL CENTER FOR PUBLIC OPINION <br> National survey: Occupy Wall Street/Tea Party/Ideology Oct. 28-Nov. 1, 2011-1,005 American adults 

Sample design: Probability-based online sample of adults age $18+$ in all 50 states + DC from panel recruited using addressbased sampling; laptops/online access provided to panelists who couldn't get online otherwise. English only.

Form $A / F o r m$ B: each a random half sample.

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Data collection/tabulation: Knowledge Networks, sampling from national KnowledgePanel ${ }^{\circledR}$

Subgroup sizes and sampling error for:
All adults ( $n=1,005$ ): $+/-3.8$ percentage points
All registered voters ( $n=776$ ): $+/-4.3$ percentage points
Half sample Form A $(\mathrm{n}=500)$ : $+/-5.3$ points
Half sample Form B ( $n=505$ ): +/- 5.4 points
View Occupy Wall Street favorably ( $n=345$ ): $+/-6.4$ points
View Tea Party movement favorably ( $n=327$ ): $+/-7.0$ points
View both movements favorably ( $\mathrm{n}=89$ ): +/- 13 points
*** SMALL SUBGROUP ***
View both movements unfavorably ( $n=206$ ): +/-8.3 points

Results are shown for all adults unless noted otherwise.
RVs = subset of adults who are registered to vote at their current address

FAV = favorable; UNFAV = unfavorable

Percentages may not add to $100 \%$ because of rounding.

## Q. 1 Which comes closer to your view: [RANDOMIZE ORDER OF ITEMS] <br> ALL RVs <br> Government should do more to solve problems <br> 51\% 47\% <br> Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals <br> 4853 <br> $\overline{100} \quad \overline{100}$

Crosstabs among all adults:

| Unweighted $\mathrm{N}=$ | 1005 | Overall impression of OCCUPY WALL ST is ... |  |  | Overall impression of TEA PARTY is ... |  |  | SMALL SUBGROUP for "both favorable", error margin $+/-13$ points |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FAV } \\ & 345 \end{aligned}$ | $\begin{gathered} \text { UNFAV } \\ 441 \end{gathered}$ | DON'T KNOW 219 | $\begin{aligned} & \text { FAV } \\ & 327 \end{aligned}$ | UNFAV 490 | DON'T know 188 | $\begin{gathered} \text { вотн } \\ \text { FAV } \\ 89 \end{gathered}$ | вотн UNFAV 206 |
|  | ALL | 35\% | 40\% | 24\% | 29\% | 50\% | 21\% | 10\% | 22\% |
| Which comes closer to your view: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Government should do more to solve problems | 51\% | 64\% | 37\% | 57\% | 19\% | 65\% | 62\% | 36\% | 54\% |
| Government is doing too many things better left to businesses and individuals | 48\% | 36\% | 63\% | 41\% | 81\% | 35\% | 36\% | 64\% | 46\% |

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Q. 2 Generally speaking, how much influence would you say the following have on American politics today: [GRID; RANDOMIZE ORDER OF ITEMS]

|  | Too little <br> influence | About the <br> right amount | Too much <br> influence |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| People who are not wealthy | $74 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $9 \%$ |
| Labor unions | $22 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $39 \%$ |
| Political action committees, which <br> finance political campaigns | $7 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $74 \%$ |
| Wall Street and large corporations | $4 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $80 \%$ |



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Q. 3 Overall, what is your impression of: [GRID; RANDOMIZE ORDER OF ITEMS]

|  | FAVORABLE |  |  | UNFAVORABLE |  | Don't |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NET | $\underline{\text { Strongly }}$ | $\underline{\text { Somewhat }}$ | NET | $\underline{\text { Somewhat }}$ | $\underline{\text { Strongly }}$ | know |
| The Occupy Wall <br> Street movement | $\mathbf{3 5 \%}$ | $13 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $\mathbf{4 0 \%}$ | $20 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 4 \%}$ |
| The Tea Party <br> movement | $\mathbf{2 9 \%}$ | $10 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $\mathbf{5 0 \%}$ | $19 \%$ | $31 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ |
| Wall Street and <br> large corporations | $\mathbf{1 6 \%}$ | $1 \%$ | $15 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $33 \%$ | $38 \%$ | $\mathbf{1 2 \%}$ |
| The government in <br> Washington | $\mathbf{2 1 \%}$ | $\mathbf{2 \%}$ | $19 \%$ | $\mathbf{7 1 \%}$ | $35 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $\mathbf{8 \%}$ |


|  |  | OCCUPY WALL ST |  |  | TEA PARTY |  |  | BOTH |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T <br> KNOW | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T <br> KNOW | FAV | UNFAV |
|  | ALL | 35\% | 40\% | 24\% | 29\% | 50\% | 21\% | 10\% | 22\% |
| Overall, what is your impression of: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { SMALL } \\ \text { SUBGROUP } \end{gathered}$ |  |
| The Occupy Wall Street movement |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly favorable | 13\% | 36\% |  |  | 8\% | 18\% | 6\% | 25\% |  |
| Somewhat favorable | 23\% | 64\% |  |  | 26\% | 28\% | 7\% | 75\% |  |
| FAVORABLE (NET) | 35\% | 100\% |  |  | 34\% | 46\% | 13\% | 100\% |  |
| UNFAVORABLE (NET) | 40\% |  | 100\% |  | 55\% | 44\% | 14\% |  | 100\% |
| Somewhat unfavorable | 20\% |  | 49\% |  | 17\% | 27\% | 8\% |  | 62\% |
| Strongly unfavorable | 21\% |  | 51\% |  | 38\% | 17\% | 6\% |  | 38\% |
| DON'T KNOW | 24\% |  |  | 100\% | 11\% | 11\% | 74\% |  |  |
|  |  | OCCUPY WALL ST |  |  | TEA PARTY |  |  | BOTH |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T KNOW | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T KNOW | FAV | UNFAV |
|  | ALL | 35\% | 40\% | 24\% | 29\% | 50\% | 21\% | 10\% | 22\% |
| Overall, what is your impression of: <br> The Tea Party movement |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | $\begin{gathered} \text { SMALLL } \\ \text { SUBGROUP } \end{gathered}$ |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly favorable | 10\% | 7\% | 17\% | 4\% | 35\% |  |  | 24\% |  |
| Somewhat favorable | 19\% | 21\% | 22\% | 9\% | 65\% |  |  | 76\% |  |
| FAVORABLE (NET) | 29\% | 28\% | 39\% | 13\% | 100\% |  |  | 100\% |  |
| UNFAVORABLE (NET) | 50\% | 65\% | 54\% | 22\% |  | 100\% |  |  | 100\% |
| Somewhat unfavorable | 19\% | 14\% | 31\% | 8\% |  | 39\% |  |  | 58\% |
| Strongly unfavorable | 31\% | 51\% | 23\% | 15\% |  | 61\% |  |  | 42\% |
| DON'T KNOW | 21\% | 8\% | 7\% | 65\% |  |  |  |  |  |

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|  |  | OCCUPY WALL ST |  |  | TEA PARTY |  |  | BOTH |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T kNOW | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T KNOW | FAV | UNFAV |
| Overall, what is your impression of. ALL |  | 35\% | 40\% | 24\% | 29\% | 50\% | 21\% | 10\% | 22\% |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | SMALL SUEGROUF |  |
| The Tea Party movement |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly favorable | 10\% | 7\% | 17\% | 4\% | 35\% |  |  | 24\% |  |
| Somewhat favorable | 19\% | 21\% | 22\% | 9\% | 65\% |  |  | 76\% |  |
| FAVORABLE (NET) | 29\% | 28\% | 39\% | 13\% | 100\% |  |  | 100\% |  |
| UNFAVORABLE (NET) | 50\% | 65\% | 54\% | 22\% |  | 100\% |  |  | 100\% |
| Somewhat unfavorable | 19\% | 14\% | 31\% | 8\% |  | 39\% |  |  | 58\% |
| Strongly unfavorable | 31\% | 51\% | 23\% | 15\% |  | 61\% |  |  | 42\% |
| DON'T KNOW | 21\% | 8\% | 7\% | 65\% |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  | OCCUPY WALL ST |  |  | TEA PARTY |  |  | BOTH |  |
|  |  | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T kNOW | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T kNow | FAV | UNFAV |
|  | ALL | 35\% | 40\% | 24\% | 29\% | 50\% | 21\% | 10\% | 22\% |
| Overall, what is your impression of: <br> Wall Street and large corporations |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | SMALL SUBGROUP |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  | 1\% | 2\% | 1\% |  | 3\% | 1\% |  | 4\% |  |
| Somewhat favorable | 15\% | 10\% | 23\% | 9\% | 28\% | 9\% | 11\% | 16\% | 11\% |
| FAVORABLE (NET) | 16\% | 12\% | 24\% | 9\% | 31\% | 10\% | 11\% | 20\% | 11\% |
| FAV (NET) MINUS UNFAV (NET) | -55\% | -73\% | -49\% | -41\% | -33\% | -77\% | -34\% | -58\% | -76\% |
| UNFAVORABLE (NET) | 71\% | 85\% | 73\% | 49\% | 64\% | 87\% | 45\% | 78\% | 87\% |
| Somewhat unfavorable | 33\% | 28\% | 41\% | 27\% | 34\% | 37\% | 22\% | 29\% | 46\% |
| Strongly unfavorable | 38\% | 56\% | 32\% | 22\% | 30\% | 49\% | 23\% | 49\% | 41\% |
| DON'T KNOW | 12\% | 3\% | 3\% | 42\% | 5\% | 3\% | 44\% | 2\% | 2\% |
|  |  | OCCUPY WALL ST |  |  | TEA PARTY |  |  | BOTH |  |
|  |  | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T kNOW | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T KNOW | FAV | UNFAV |
|  | ALL | 35\% | 40\% | 24\% | 29\% | 50\% | 21\% | 10\% | 22\% |
| Overall, what is your impression of: <br> The government in Washington |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
|  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Strongly favorable | 2\% | 4\% |  | 2\% | 2\% | 1\% | 3\% | 6\% |  |
| Somewhat favorable | 19\% | 23\% | 14\% | 19\% | 11\% | 22\% | 21\% | 19\% | 16\% |
| FAVORABLE (NET) | 21\% | 27\% | 14\% | 21\% | 14\% | 24\% | 23\% | 25\% | 16\% |
| FAV (NET) MINUS UNFAV (NET) | -51\% | -44\% | -70\% | -28\% | -72\% | -51\% | -21\% | -48\% | -66\% |
| UNFAVORABLE (NET) | 71\% | 72\% | 84\% | 50\% | 86\% | 75\% | 45\% | 73\% | 82\% |
| Somewhat unfavorable | 35\% | 40\% | 37\% | 26\% | 29\% | 41\% | 28\% | 32\% | 42\% |
| Strongly unfavorable | 36\% | 32\% | 48\% | 24\% | 56\% | 34\% | 16\% | 41\% | 40\% |
| DON'T KNOW | 8\% | 1\% | 1\% | 29\% | 1\% | 1\% | 32\% | 2\% | 1\% |

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ASKED OF FORM A HALF SAMPLE ( $\mathrm{n}=500$ )
Q. 4 [DISPLAY RESPONSE CATEGORIES IN LIST; REVERSE ORDER FOR HALF OF FORM A RESPONDENTS]

|  | LIBERAL |  |  | MODERATE | CONSERVATIVE |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | NET | Very | Somewhat |  | Somewhat | Very | NET |
| In general, <br> would you <br> describe your <br> political views <br> as: | $\mathbf{2 2 \%}$ | $6 \%$ | $16 \%$ |  | $21 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 0} \%$ |

ASKED OF FORM B HALF SAMPLE ( $\mathrm{n}=505$ )
Q. 5 [GRID; RANDOMIZE ITEMS; REVERSE ORDER OF RESPONSE CATEGORIES FOR HALF OF FORM B RESPONDENTS]

| In general, how <br> would you <br> describe your <br> views on: | LIBERAL |  |  | NET | Very | Somewhat |  |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Social issues <br> such as gay <br> marriage and <br> abortion | $\mathbf{3 6 \%}$ | $20 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 0} \%$ | CONSERVATIVE |  |  |
| Siscal | Somewhat | Very | NET |  |  |  |  |
| Fiscues <br> such as taxes <br> and spending | $\mathbf{1 8 \%}$ | $5 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $\mathbf{2 2 \%}$ | $20 \%$ | $\mathbf{3 3 \%}$ |  |

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| ASKED OF FORM A half SAMPLE |  | OCCUPY WALL ST |  |  | TEA PARTY |  |  | BOTH |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  |  | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T <br> KNOW | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T KNOW | FAV | UNFAV |
|  | ALL | 35\% | 40\% | 24\% | 29\% | 50\% | 21\% | 10\% | 22\% |
| In general, would you describe your political views as: |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | SMMLL SUBGROUP |  |
| Very liberal | 6\% | 9\% | 2\% | 7\% | 1\% | 10\% | 2\% |  | 3\% |
| Somewhat liberal | 16\% | 25\% | 10\% | 12\% | 4\% | 25\% | 10\% | 9\% | 16\% |
| LIBERAL (NET) | 22\% | 33\% | 12\% | 20\% | 5\% | 34\% | 13\% | 9\% | 19\% |
| MODERATE | 48\% | 52\% | 43\% | 53\% | 31\% | 50\% | 67\% | 58\% | 58\% |
| CONSERVATIVE (NET) | 30\% | 14\% | 45\% | 26\% | 64\% | 16\% | 19\% | 32\% | 24\% |
| Somewhat conservative | 21\% | 8\% | 34\% | 21\% | 41\% | 14\% | 15\% | 15\% | 21\% |
| Very conservative | 8\% | 6\% | 11\% | 5\% | 23\% | 2\% | 4\% | 17\% | 2\% |
| ASKED OF FORM B half SAMPLE |  | OCCUPY WALL ST |  |  | TEA PARTY |  |  | BOTH |  |
| In general, how would you describe your views on: |  | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T <br> kNOW | FAV | UNFAV | DON'T KNOW | FAV | UNFAV |
|  | ALL | 35\% | 40\% | 24\% | 29\% | 50\% | 21\% | 10\% | 22\% |
| Social issues such as gay marriage and abortion |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | SMALL SUBGROUP |  |
| Very liberal | 20\% | 34\% | 14\% | 14\% | 5\% | 30\% | 18\% | 11\% | 20\% |
| Somewhat liberal | 16\% | 17\% | 14\% | 17\% | 6\% | 21\% | 19\% | 5\% | 21\% |
| LIBERAL (NET) | 36\% | 51\% | 28\% | 31\% | 11\% | 52\% | 37\% | 16\% | 41\% |
| MODERATE | 30\% | 22\% | 34\% | 35\% | 22\% | 32\% | 37\% | 24\% | 41\% |
| CONSERVATIVE (NET) | 33\% | 27\% | 38\% | 31\% | 67\% | 16\% | 22\% | 60\% | 18\% |
| Somewhat conservative | 12\% | 10\% | 16\% | 10\% | 20\% | 8\% | 11\% | 18\% | 11\% |
| Very conservative | 20\% | 17\% | 23\% | 22\% | 47\% | 8\% | 12\% | 42\% | 7\% |
| Fiscal issues such as taxes and spending |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |  |
| Very liberal | 5\% | 9\% | 2\% | 6\% | 2\% | 6\% | 9\% | 6\% | 3\% |
| Somewhat liberal | 13\% | 22\% | 9\% | 7\% | 2\% | 21\% | 9\% | 5\% | 15\% |
| LIBERAL (NET) | 18\% | 31\% | 11\% | 13\% | 4\% | 27\% | 18\% | 11\% | 18\% |
| MODERATE | 44\% | 43\% | 38\% | 52\% | 23\% | 53\% | 52\% | 29\% | 53\% |
| CONSERVATIVE (NET) | 37\% | 26\% | 51\% | 32\% | 73\% | 20\% | 26\% | 60\% | 29\% |
| Somewhat conservative | 22\% | 14\% | 29\% | 23\% | 37\% | 14\% | 19\% | 28\% | 22\% |
| Very conservative | 15\% | 13\% | 21\% | 9\% | 36\% | 6\% | 7\% | 31\% | 7\% |

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