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1. Agree with trickle-down

According to the "trickle-down theory" in economics, lowering taxes for wealthy groups and individuals – corporations, investors and entrepreneurs – can stimulate the economy, leading to economic growth and greater wealth for everyone – even poorer people. Do you agree or disagree with this theory?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Agree	29%	34%	26%	18%	31%	34%	32%	15%	28%	50%
Disagree	45%	47%	43%	49%	40%	47%	44%	62%	42%	30%
Don't know	25%	19%	31%	33%	29%	19%	25%	23%	29%	21%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (998)	100% (476)	100% (522)	100% (142)	100% (274)	100% (399)	100% (183)	100% (332)	100% (421)	100% (245)

			Race		F	amily Income	•		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Agree	29%	31%	17%	29%	21%	34%	44%	36%	25%	31%	26%
Disagree	45%	46%	49%	38%	48%	45%	45%	36%	49%	45%	48%
Don't know	25%	23%	34%	33%	31%	21%	12%	27%	26%	24%	26%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(998)	(759)	(121)	(118)	(355)	(293)	(202)	(182)	(210)	(363)	(243)

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2. Lower taxes lead to economic growth for the well off

Now, taking each part of the theory in turn, do you think that lowering taxes for wealthy groups and individuals – corporations, investors and entrepreneurs –generally does or does not lead to economic growth for the companies and organizations they run?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Generally does	34%	41%	27%	26%	30%	37%	41%	21%	33%	51%
Generally does not	44%	43%	44%	42%	48%	44%	38%	60%	40%	31%
Don't know	23%	16%	29%	33%	21%	19%	20%	20%	27%	18%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (993)	100% (473)	100% (520)	100% (141)	100% (274)	100% (397)	100% (181)	100% (328)	100% (421)	100% (244)

			Race		F	amily Income	;		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Generally does	34%	37%	20%	29%	25%	33%	55%	32%	29%	37%	34%
Generally does not	44%	43%	52%	40%	52%	42%	35%	39%	50%	43%	43%
Don't know	23%	20%	28%	32%	23%	25%	10%	29%	21%	21%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(993)	(755)	(120)	(118)	(351)	(292)	(202)	(182)	(209)	(360)	(242)

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3. Lower taxes lead to economic growth for poorer people

And do you think that lowering taxes for wealthy groups and individuals – corporations, investors and entrepreneurs – generally does or does not result in economic growth that ends up making poorer people better off?

		Ge	nder		А	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Generally does	25%	31%	20%	19%	24%	30%	24%	14%	24%	40%
Generally does not	49%	50%	49%	46%	45%	53%	53%	61%	47%	39%
Don't know	26%	19%	32%	36%	31%	18%	23%	25%	29%	20%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (995)	100% (475)	100% (520)	100% (142)	100% (274)	100% (397)	100% (182)	100% (332)	100% (419)	100% (244)

			Race		F	amily Income			Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Generally does	25%	25%	13%	35%	19%	22%	39%	22%	24%	27%	24%
Generally does not	49%	52%	54%	28%	53%	52%	49%	44%	53%	51%	47%
Don't know	26%	23%	33%	37%	28%	25%	12%	35%	23%	22%	28%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (995)	100% (756)	100% (121)	100% (118)	100% (354)	100% (293)	100% (202)	100% (181)	100% (209)	100% (363)	100% (242)

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4. Wealth or income

Which do you think would be a more effective way of decreasing inequality – taxing income, or taxing wealth (e.g. savings, property and assets)

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Taxing income	28%	32%	24%	23%	26%	28%	35%	20%	26%	41%
Taxing wealth	44%	44%	44%	51%	42%	44%	39%	58%	43%	29%
Don't know	28%	24%	32%	25%	31%	28%	26%	22%	31%	29%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(990)	(471)	(519)	(140)	(274)	(395)	(181)	(332)	(416)	(242)

			Race		F	amily Income			Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Taxing income	28%	31%	10%	24%	22%	29%	42%	22%	29%	31%	27%
Taxing wealth	44%	42%	58%	45%	51%	45%	33%	48%	42%	40%	50%
Don't know	28%	27%	32%	31%	27%	26%	25%	30%	29%	30%	23%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(990)	(752)	(121)	(117)	(355)	(291)	(199)	(180)	(207)	(362)	(241)

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5. Reduce inequality

In order to reduce inequality, which policy do you favor more?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
Decreasing incomes of										
higher earners	23%	21%	25%	26%	25%	20%	21%	21%	23%	25%
Increasing incomes of										
lower earners	77%	79%	75%	74%	75%	80%	79%	79%	77%	75%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(953)	(453)	(500)	(138)	(272)	(373)	(170)	(330)	(399)	(224)

			Race		F	amily Income			Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
Decreasing incomes of											
higher earners	23%	24%	17%	22%	24%	23%	18%	19%	29%	21%	23%
Increasing incomes of											
lower earners	77%	76%	83%	78%	76%	77%	82%	81%	71%	79%	77%
Totals	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%
(Unweighted N)	(953)	(719)	(119)	(115)	(350)	(282)	(191)	(173)	(203)	(341)	(236)

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6. View of global inequity

Which of the following comes closer to your view of the effect of global inequality on the world's economic system?

		Ge	nder		Α	ge			3 Point Party ID	
	Total	Male	Female	18-29	30-44	45-64	65+	Democrat	Independent	Republican
The system has reached breaking point - inequality cannot increase much further before the system will										
be unable to cope Inequality is a problem, but the system will be able to cope with increasing inequality for	36%	37%	36%	26%	35%	44%	34%	52%	34%	22%
a while yet Inequality is not really a serious problem, the system will be able to sustain far greater	27%	27%	27%	44%	29%	19%	21%	27%	25%	32%
changes than this	16%	19%	13%	11%	16%	17%	18%	6%	14%	32%
Don't know	21%	17%	24%	19%	21%	19%	26%	15%	27%	15%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (992)	100% (473)	100% (519)	100% (140)	100% (274)	100% (398)	100% (180)	100% (331)	100% (418)	100% (243)

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			Race		F	amily Income	•		Regi	on	
	Total	White	Black	Hispanic	Under 40	40-80	80+	Northeast	Midwest	South	West
The system has reached breaking point - inequality cannot increase much further before the system will											
be unable to cope Inequality is a problem, but the system will be able to cope with increasing inequality for	36%	36%	37%	35%	46%	30%	32%	28%	39%	35%	42%
a while yet Inequality is not really a serious problem, the system will be able to sustain far greater	27%	28%	27%	25%	24%	29%	33%	31%	28%	28%	23%
changes than this	16%	18%	9%	8%	9%	19%	23%	21%	12%	14%	17%
Don't know	21%	18%	27%	32%	21%	21%	12%	20%	21%	23%	18%
Totals (Unweighted N)	100% (992)	100% (753)	100% (121)	100% (118)	100% (353)	100% (291)	100% (202)	100% (181)	100% (207)	100% (360)	100% (244)