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Q1. Is the United States on the right track, or is it headed in the wrong direction?																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Right track	27%	27%	26%	46%	4%	7%	45%	51%	10%	23%	25%	28%	25%	28%	20%	28%	40%
Wrong direction	65%	66%	64%	40%	93%	90%	44%	37%	85%	69%	69%	61%	68%	62%	72%	66%	47%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	7%	11%	14%	3%	3%	11%	12%	5%	8%	6%	11%	7%	10%	7%	6%	13%
I'm going to read the names of several people and institutions in public life and I'd like for you to tell me whether you have a favorable opinion or an unfavorable opinion of each of the people or institutions I name.																	
Q2. Tim Bishop																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Favorable	50%	48%	54%	89%	6%	17%	78%	83%	27%	46%	46%	54%	45%	54%	42%	48%	71%
Unfavorable	41%	44%	36%	6%	87%	74%	15%	9%	62%	46%	45%	37%	43%	39%	48%	45%	21%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	8%	10%	6%	7%	9%	7%	8%	11%	7%	9%	9%	12%	7%	10%	8%	8%
Q3. Randy Altschuler																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Favorable	33%	33%	34%	7%	74%	60%	14%	9%	54%	34%	36%	30%	34%	33%	37%	33%	25%
Unfavorable	44%	44%	45%	69%	12%	22%	63%	62%	30%	44%	43%	45%	44%	44%	38%	43%	56%
Don't know/No opinion	23%	23%	21%	24%	15%	18%	23%	29%	16%	22%	20%	25%	22%	23%	24%	23%	19%
Q4. Barack Obama																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Favorable	43%	42%	45%	76%	6%	8%	75%	78%	18%	39%	41%	46%	39%	47%	34%	37%	70%
Unfavorable	54%	55%	52%	22%	90%	91%	24%	20%	80%	54%	56%	51%	57%	50%	63%	57%	28%
Don't know/No opinion	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	1%	2%	1%	2%	6%	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%	6%	2%

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Q5. Nancy Pelosi																	
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	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Favorable	30%	31%	29%	56%	2%	3%	54%	59%	12%	25%	25%	35%	25%	34%	23%	24%	53%
Unfavorable	64%	62%	66%	35%	96%	95%	38%	31%	84%	70%	68%	60%	67%	61%	72%	73%	38%
Don't know/No opinion	6%	7%	5%	9%	2%	1%	8%	9%	4%	5%	7%	5%	8%	5%	5%	3%	8%
Q6. Tea Party Movement																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Favorable	39%	37%	42%	11%	74%			13%	61%	39%	43%	35%	41%	37%	47%	40%	19%
Unfavorable	49%	51%	44%	80%	13%			80%	27%	45%	46%	52%	48%	50%	40%	41%	74%
Don't know/No opinion	12%	12%	13%	9%	13%			7%	12%	16%	11%	13%	11%	13%	12%	18%	6%
Q7. United States Congress																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Favorable	29%	28%	30%	44%	11%	14%	42%	45%	20%	23%	21%	36%	32%	26%	30%	30%	26%
Unfavorable	65%	66%	63%	48%	85%	84%	50%	45%	75%	72%	73%	57%	62%	67%	66%	60%	63%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	6%	7%	8%	3%	2%	8%	10%	5%	5%	5%	8%	6%	7%	3%	10%	11%
Q8. Sarah Palin																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Favorable	35%	36%	34%	8%	70%	75%	7%	8%	61%	33%	40%	31%	34%	37%	45%	32%	18%
Unfavorable	58%	58%	58%	88%	21%	18%	90%	89%	33%	59%	52%	63%	60%	56%	49%	56%	79%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	6%	9%	3%	9%	7%	2%	4%	7%	8%	8%	6%	6%	7%	6%	11%	2%

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Q9. If the 2010 election for governor were held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:																	
		Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Andrew Cuomo on the Democratic, Independence and Working Families Party lines	54%	55%	52%	88%	15%	18%	86%	88%	32%	47%	48%	60%	52%	55%	48%	50%	71%
Carl Paladino on the Republican, Conservative and Taxpayer Party lines	32%	31%	34%	8%	66%	65%	8%	10%	50%	35%	37%	28%	37%	29%	40%	31%	18%
or are you voting for someone else	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	0%	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Not voting	0%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%
Don't know/No opinion	12%	12%	12%	4%	17%	16%	6%	1%	16%	16%	12%	11%	9%	14%	10%	18%	9%

Q10. Looking at the issue of health care and the recently passed reform legislation, which of the following two choices is closest to your point of view:																	
		Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Although it may not go far enough, I'd like to see the health care reform legislation fully implemented as soon as possible	44%	43%	44%	75%	7%	9%	73%	77%	21%	38%	39%	48%	41%	46%	38%	34%	65%
I'm in favor of repealing the health care reform legislation	52%	53%	51%	20%	91%	90%	24%	19%	75%	58%	57%	48%	56%	49%	60%	59%	31%
Don't know/No opinion	4%	4%	4%	5%	2%	1%	3%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	3%	5%	3%	6%	4%

Q11. President Obama has proposed eliminating the income tax cuts passed during the Bush Administration for individuals earning more than \$200,000 and couples making more than \$250,000. Would you like to see those tax cuts eliminated or are you in favor of keeping those tax cuts in place?																	
		Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Eliminated	48%	49%	47%	74%	15%	19%	72%	75%	26%	48%	47%	50%	47%	49%	43%	43%	65%
Keep	48%	48%	48%	21%	82%	78%	24%	21%	68%	50%	51%	45%	51%	45%	53%	52%	32%
Don't know/No opinion	4%	3%	6%	5%	3%	3%	5%	4%	6%	2%	3%	6%	2%	6%	4%	5%	4%

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Q12. President Obama has also recently proposed a new stimulus package of \$50 billion for road and infrastructure improvements and to help create jobs. Do you support or oppose the President's new proposed \$50 billion stimulus package?

	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Support	51%	53%	48%	79%	18%	18%	78%	78%	32%	48%	49%	53%	52%	50%	46%	50%	64%
Oppose	43%	40%	49%	16%	78%	78%	16%	18%	63%	44%	46%	41%	42%	44%	48%	44%	31%
Don't know/No opinion	6%	7%	3%	4%	4%	4%	6%	4%	5%	8%	5%	6%	6%	5%	6%	7%	5%

Q13. Of the following issues, which SINGLE issue is the MOST important one you want your Member of Congress to be working on in Washington:

	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Health care	8%	7%	10%	10%	6%	6%	10%	9%	9%	7%	6%	10%	6%	10%	8%	3%	13%
Education	9%	8%	11%	12%	4%	4%	12%	10%	6%	11%	7%	11%	13%	6%	6%	11%	13%
Jobs	38%	38%	39%	41%	37%	35%	43%	48%	34%	36%	39%	38%	41%	36%	37%	41%	36%
Taxes	10%	11%	8%	7%	13%	14%	6%	4%	14%	10%	8%	11%	13%	7%	12%	9%	7%
The federal budget deficit	19%	20%	19%	11%	32%	31%	10%	10%	27%	19%	23%	16%	19%	20%	22%	21%	13%
The war in Afghanistan	12%	13%	12%	16%	7%	8%	15%	16%	7%	14%	14%	11%	7%	17%	12%	14%	13%
Other	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	0%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	2%	0%	2%	1%	1%	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	3%

Q14. Tim Bishop is running for re-election to be a Member of Congress. As things stand now, would you vote to re-elect him or would you prefer someone else?

	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Re-elect Bishop	48%	46%	50%	90%	1%	12%	79%	84%	22%	42%	44%	51%	45%	50%	41%	42%	66%
Prefer someone else	45%	47%	42%	6%	96%	80%	16%	11%	70%	51%	50%	41%	47%	44%	52%	48%	28%
Don't know/No opinion	7%	6%	8%	4%	2%	8%	5%	5%	8%	7%	6%	7%	8%	6%	6%	10%	5%

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Q15. If the election for Member of Congress from the 1st Congressional District was held today, who would you vote for if the candidates were:																	
	Total	Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
		Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Tim Bishop on the Democratic and Working Families Party lines	51%	50%	53%			15%	83%	88%	25%	46%	49%	53%	48%	53%	44%	47%	70%
Randy Altschuler on the Republican and Conservative Party lines	39%	41%	37%			75%	10%	6%	65%	43%	42%	37%	41%	38%	46%	42%	23%
Not voting	1%	0%	1%			1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	2%	0%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	9%	9%			9%	7%	6%	9%	11%	9%	9%	11%	8%	10%	10%	7%

Q16. How likely would you say you are to vote for [CANDIDATE NAME]? Are you...																	
	Total	Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
		Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Absolutely certain; there's no chance I will change my mind	64%	63%	64%	65%	61%	62%	69%	77%	61%	54%	68%	59%	58%	68%	60%	58%	74%
Fairly certain; it's unlikely I will change my mind	28%	26%	31%	27%	28%	30%	23%	19%	29%	32%	24%	31%	32%	23%	31%	28%	21%
Not very certain; I very well may change my mind	6%	8%	3%	6%	7%	6%	5%	3%	6%	11%	5%	7%	6%	6%	7%	9%	4%
Not certain at all; there's a good chance I will change my mind	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	1%	2%	0%	3%	4%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%	5%	1%
Don't know/No opinion	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	0%	1%

Q17. Have you seen or heard any commercials for Randy Altschuler or been contacted by the Altschuler campaign?																	
	Total	Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
		Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Seen or heard Altschuler commercial	44%	47%	40%	45%	44%	43%	46%	45%	45%	41%	43%	45%	45%	43%	43%	40%	49%
Been contacted by the Altschuler campaign	6%	6%	5%	4%	8%	5%	5%	2%	6%	8%	6%	5%	6%	5%	5%	7%	5%
Both	30%	31%	29%	27%	36%	36%	25%	22%	34%	34%	31%	29%	25%	34%	33%	29%	25%
Neither	19%	16%	25%	23%	12%	16%	22%	30%	14%	14%	19%	20%	22%	17%	18%	23%	21%
Don't know/No opinion	1%	0%	2%	0%	1%	0%	1%	1%	0%	2%	1%	1%	2%	0%	1%	1%	0%

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Q18. Have you seen or heard any commercials for Tim Bishop or been contacted by the Bishop campaign?																	
	Total	Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
		Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Seen or heard Bishop commercial	42%	40%	44%	39%	44%	45%	42%	36%	46%	42%	44%	39%	47%	37%	43%	44%	37%
Been contacted by the Bishop campaign	5%	5%	5%	7%	4%	4%	6%	6%	4%	4%	3%	7%	4%	6%	4%	7%	5%
Both	35%	37%	32%	36%	35%	35%	34%	36%	35%	36%	39%	32%	33%	37%	35%	35%	37%
Neither	18%	18%	17%	18%	16%	17%	17%	20%	16%	18%	15%	20%	16%	19%	18%	14%	21%
Don't know/No opinion	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	1%	1%	0%	0%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%	1%	0%

On each of the following issues, I'd like you to tell me who you think would do a better job representing you in the United States Congress.

Q19. Health Care																	
	Total	Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
		Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Tim Bishop	50%	49%	52%	92%	4%	15%	79%	85%	26%	44%	45%	54%	47%	53%	43%	45%	69%
Randy Altschuler	38%	40%	36%	2%	90%	74%	10%	7%	61%	43%	42%	35%	40%	37%	46%	39%	23%
Don't know/No opinion	12%	11%	12%	7%	5%	11%	11%	8%	13%	12%	13%	11%	13%	10%	11%	16%	8%

Q20. Education																	
	Total	Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
		Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Tim Bishop	53%	53%	52%	92%	8%	19%	82%	84%	29%	50%	50%	56%	52%	54%	47%	48%	68%
Randy Altschuler	33%	34%	31%	1%	81%	64%	9%	5%	55%	35%	36%	31%	34%	33%	39%	36%	19%
Don't know/No opinion	14%	12%	17%	7%	11%	17%	9%	11%	16%	15%	15%	14%	15%	14%	14%	16%	13%

Q21. Jobs																	
	Total	Region		Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
		Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Tim Bishop	50%	48%	54%	92%	4%	17%	79%	84%	27%	46%	45%	55%	47%	53%	44%	47%	64%
Randy Altschuler	38%	39%	35%	3%	89%	71%	11%	7%	61%	41%	42%	34%	40%	36%	43%	38%	27%
Don't know/No opinion	12%	12%	12%	5%	7%	12%	10%	9%	12%	13%	13%	11%	13%	11%	13%	14%	9%

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Q22. Taxes																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Tim Bishop	47%	46%	49%	86%	3%	15%	77%	84%	24%	40%	42%	53%	43%	51%	41%	44%	65%
Randy Altschuler	40%	40%	39%	6%	91%	74%	12%	8%	63%	44%	44%	36%	42%	38%	47%	38%	26%
Don't know/No opinion	13%	13%	12%	8%	6%	11%	11%	8%	13%	15%	14%	11%	15%	10%	12%	18%	9%
Q23. Federal budget deficit																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Tim Bishop	45%	44%	47%	83%	4%	15%	73%	79%	22%	40%	40%	51%	41%	48%	41%	38%	62%
Randy Altschuler	40%	42%	38%	7%	90%	75%	14%	10%	63%	45%	46%	35%	43%	39%	46%	44%	26%
Don't know/No opinion	14%	14%	15%	10%	6%	10%	13%	11%	15%	15%	15%	14%	16%	13%	13%	19%	12%
Q24. The war in Afghanistan																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Tim Bishop	47%	47%	48%	84%	6%	15%	74%	82%	22%	43%	42%	52%	46%	48%	42%	42%	62%
Randy Altschuler	33%	32%	34%	5%	77%	65%	10%	5%	53%	37%	36%	30%	37%	30%	40%	29%	22%
Don't know/No opinion	20%	21%	19%	11%	17%	20%	16%	13%	25%	20%	22%	18%	18%	22%	18%	29%	16%
Q25. Representing the interests of our community in Washington																	
	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Tim Bishop	53%	52%	54%	96%	5%	17%	84%	88%	28%	50%	49%	57%	50%	56%	46%	52%	70%
Randy Altschuler	36%	37%	35%	0%	89%	72%	9%	5%	61%	38%	40%	33%	38%	35%	43%	36%	22%
Don't know/No opinion	10%	10%	11%	3%	6%	11%	7%	7%	11%	12%	11%	10%	12%	9%	11%	12%	8%

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Q26. Currently the Democrats have a majority in the U.S. House of Representatives. Every seat is up for election in November. Would you like to see the Democrats retain control of the House or would you prefer to see the Republicans take control of the House?

	Region			Vote Choice		Tea Party		Party			Gender		Age		Religion		
	Total	Brookhaven	All other	Bishop	Altschuler	Fav	Unfav	Dem	Rep	Ind/ Other	M	F	Under 55	55 and older	Cath	Prot	Other
Democrats	42%	42%	41%	75%	2%	7%	73%	84%	12%	36%	37%	46%	40%	44%	33%	37%	65%
Republicans	50%	47%	53%	14%	94%	90%	18%	11%	81%	51%	54%	46%	51%	49%	59%	52%	27%
Don't know/No opinion	9%	10%	5%	10%	4%	4%	9%	5%	7%	12%	9%	8%	9%	7%	7%	10%	9%