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1. Many people are busy and don't get a chance to vote in every election. Thinking ahead to the November 2014 election, what would you say the chances are that you will vote in the election for U.S. House of Representatives – are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or do you not think you will vote?

Certain to vote...68 Probably will vote...15 Chances are 50-50......15 Do not think will vote......2 Don't know......2

2. How closely or not are you paying attention to the immigration policy debate that is taking place in Congress right now? Would you say very closely, somewhat closely, not too close, or not at all?

Very closely...28 Somewhat closely......38 Not too closely......21 Not at all .....12 Don't know.....1

3. With all the different issues the new Congress and President must address, how important do you think it is for them to address immigration reform this year before the next election? Do you think it is [rotate F/B: extremely important, very important, somewhat important, not too important, or not at all important]?

Extremely important....31 Very important......40 Somewhat important......18 Not too important......7 Not at all important......2 Don't know......1

4. In June of 2012 President Obama announced a new Department of Homeland Security policy to stop the deportation of any undocumented immigrant youth who are in school, or have graduated from high school, to provide them with a legal work permit that is renewable. Did this announcement by Obama make you feel more favorable towards Democrats or less favorable towards Democrats?

Much more favorable towards Democrats...50 Somewhat more favorable towards Democrats.....27 Somewhat LESS favorable towards Democrats.......7 Much LESS favorable towards Democrats......7 Have no effect.......6 It Depends / Don't know.....4

Even if the U.S. Congress does not pass immigration reform, there are many policies that the President can adopt by himself as the head of the executive branch of government. For each of the potential policy options I read, please tell me if this would make you feel more enthusiastic or less enthusiastic about supporting Democrats in the November 2014 election if President Obama were to sign an executive order:

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5. Renewing the policy, he already passed in 2012 for another 2 years to stop the deportation of any undocumented immigrant youth who is in school, or has graduated high school, and provide them with temporary work permits so they have legal status.

Much more enthusiastic...52 Somewhat more enthusiastic...32 Somewhat less enthusiastic....7 Much less enthusiastic.....7 Don't know.....2

6. Stopping the deportation of any undocumented parent who has not committed a crime and has children under the age of 18 living in the U.S., and providing them with temporary work permits so they have legal status.

Much more enthusiastic...62 Somewhat more enthusiastic...25 Somewhat less enthusiastic....6 Much less enthusiastic.....6 Don't know.....1

7. Stopping the deportation of any undocumented parent who has not committed a crime and has children under the age of 18 living in the U.S., <u>but would not give them a temporary work permit, so they would still be undocumented, but would not be subject to deportation</u>

Much more enthusiastic...39 Somewhat more enthusiastic...30 Somewhat less enthusiastic...17 Much less enthusiastic.....13 Don't know.....2

8. Stopping the deportation of any undocumented immigrant who has not committed a crime, and is married to a U.S. citizen or legal resident, and providing them with temporary work permits so they have legal status

Much more enthusiastic...60 Somewhat more enthusiastic...24 Somewhat less enthusiastic....8 Much less enthusiastic.....5 Don't know......3

9. Stopping the deportation of any undocumented immigrant who has not committed a crime, and is married to a U.S. citizen or legal resident, <u>but would not give them a temporary work permit, so they would still be</u> <u>undocumented</u>, <u>but would not be subject to deportation</u>

Much more enthusiastic...31 Somewhat more enthusiastic...34 Somewhat less enthusiastic...19 Much less enthusiastic.....13 Don't know......3

10. Stopping the deportation of any undocumented immigrant who has lived in the United States for more than 10 years and has not committed a crime, and providing them with temporary work permits so they have legal status.

Much more enthusiastic...64 Somewhat more enthusiastic...24 Somewhat less enthusiastic...4 Much less enthusiastic.....5 Don't know.....2

N=800; MOE =+/- 3.4%

11. Stopping the deportation of any undocumented immigrant who has lived in the United States for more than 10 years, and has not committed a crime, <u>but would not give them a temporary work permit, so they</u> would still be undocumented, but would not be subject to deportation

- Much more enthusiastic...32
- Somewhat more enthusiastic...32
  - Somewhat less enthusiastic...21
    - Much less enthusiastic.....14
      - Don't know.....1

12. Giving immigration agents more discretion in who they deport and don't deport. Instead of automatically deporting anyone who is undocumented, immigration officials could use their judgment to determine if they should deport someone or allow them to stay in the U.S.

Much more enthusiastic...32 Somewhat more enthusiastic...32 Somewhat less enthusiastic....16 Much less enthusiastic.....16 Don't know.....4

13. Of the various options that the President could consider regarding immigration reform that we just discussed, please tell me which option you think would be the <u>single most important</u>? [rotate: stopping the deportation of any undocumented parent; stopping the deportation of any undocumented immigrant who is married to a U.S. citizen; stopping the deportation of undocumented immigrants who have lived here over 10 years; giving immigration agents more discretion in who they deport]

Stopping deportations of undocumented parents...35

- Stopping deportations of undocumented immigrants lived over 10 years...32
  - Stopping deportations of undocumented married to US citizen...15
    - Giving immigration agents more discretion...14
      - Don't know.....4

14. And what would be <u>the second most important</u> action he could take? [remove answer from Q28.1 and reread remaining three choices: stopping the deportation of any undocumented parent; stopping the deportation of any undocumented immigrant who is married to a U.S. citizen; stopping the deportation of undocumented immigrants who have lived here over 10 years; giving immigration agents more discretion in who they deport]

Stopping deportations of undocumented parents...26

- Stopping deportations of undocumented immigrants lived over 10 years...27
  - Stopping deportations of undocumented married to US citizen...27
    - Giving immigration agents more discretion...14
      - Don't know.....7

15. The President can adopt many changes to immigration policy by himself as the head of the executive branch of government. If President Obama decides NOT to sign any executive orders, and makes no changes in immigration policy, would that make you feel more enthusiastic or less enthusiastic about supporting Democrats in the November 2014 election?

- Much more enthusiastic...20
- Somewhat more enthusiastic...15
  - Somewhat less enthusiastic...26
    - Much less enthusiastic......31
      - Don't know.....8

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16. The President can adopt many changes to immigration policy by himself as the head of the executive branch of government. If President Obama decides NOT to sign any executive orders, and makes no changes in immigration policy, would that make you feel more enthusiastic or less enthusiastic about turning out to vote in November 2014?

Much more enthusiastic...21 Somewhat more enthusiastic...17 Somewhat less enthusiastic....31 Much less enthusiastic.....23 Don't know......8

17. In 2011 the Obama administration issued a memorandum giving immigration officials prosecutorial discretion – which was supposed to allow immigration officials to use their judgment to determine if they should deport someone or allow them to stay in the U.S. In the three years since this has been in effect, do you think immigration and customs officials are doing a better job at only deporting known criminals, or do you think they are still deporting many undocumented immigrants who have no criminal record?

They are doing a better job...17 Still deporting many without criminal record ...71 Don't know.....10

18. Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Republican, a Democrat, an independent, or something else?

Republican	.13
Democrat	. 55
Independent	. 23
Other party	
Don't know	

19. Thinking back over all the times you have voted, have you ever voted for a Republican in any local, state, or national election?

Yes	49
No	
Don't recall	

20. Now take a moment to think about all the people in your family, your friends, co-workers, and other people you know. Do you happen to know somebody who is an undocumented immigrant? This is completely anonymous, and just for a simple demographic analysis.

Yes62
No33
Don't know5

21. [IF Q20=1] Is that a family member or a friend, who is undocumented, or do you know both?

Yes, family	5
Yes, friend / other49	
Both, family & friend42	2
Don't know	3

22. Do you know of any person or family who has faced detention or deportation for immigration reasons?

Yes, know of someone	32
No, do not know anyone	65
Don't know	3

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