Field Dates: September 27 to October 4, 2013
N=800 Adults
Margin of error: +/- 3.46% (4.40% adjusted for weighting) unless otherwise noted[*]

Interest and Engagement

Q1. Are you registered to vote in the state of Texas?

1.	Yes, registered	100%

Q2. Generally speaking, would you say that you are extremely interested in politics and public affairs, somewhat interested, not very interested, or not at all interested?

1.	Extremely interested	47%
2.	Somewhat interested	42
3.	Not very interested	8
4.	Not at all interested	4
5.	Don't know	0

Q3. There are many elections in the state of Texas. Furthermore, many people intend to vote in a given election, but sometimes personal and professional circumstances keep them from the polls. Thinking back over the past two or three years, would you say that you voted in all elections, almost all, about half, one or two, or none at all?

1.	Every election	33%
2.	Almost every election	35
3.	About half	13
4.	One or two	12
5.	None	6
6.	Don't know	1

Q4. How closely did you follow the Texas Legislature this session?

1.	Extremely closely	18%
2.	Somewhat closely	46
3.	Not very closely	27
4.	Not at all closely	9

Q5. How much have you heard about the constitutional amendments that voters will have the chance to approve in the November 2013 elections?

1.	A lot	9%
2.	Some	43
3.	Not very much	32
4.	Nothing at all	15

Q6. As you may know, in 2013, the Texas Legislature proposed a constitutional amendment providing for the creation of the State Water Implementation Fund and the State Water Implementation Revenue Fund to assist in the financing of Texas water projects.

This November, voters will be asked to approve spending $2 billion from the state's Rainy Day Fund (a fund containing more than $12 billion that the state has set aside for emergency uses) to finance these funds.

If the election were held today, would you vote to approve financing these funds, would you vote against financing these funds, or don't you intend to vote?

1.	Vote to approve the financing of the funds	52%
2.	Vote against the financing of the funds	19
3.	Don't intend to vote	5
4.	Don't know/no opinion	24

Q7. Still thinking about the constitutional amendment on water financing, **[ROTATE]** Some people say that we vote our legislators into office to make big decisions, not to turn those issues over to voters. Other people say that for big decisions, it's best to let the voters decide. Which of the following is closer to your opinion.

1.	We vote legislators into office to make big decisions	16%
2.	On big decisions, it's best to let the voters decide	75
3.	Don't know/No opinion	9

Q8. How important is it that Texas address the following infrastructure needs: very important, somewhat important, not very important, or not at all important?

	Very important	Somewhat important	Not very important	Not at all important	Don't know
a. Water	65%	28%	3%	0%	4%
b. Roads and Highways	55%	39%	4%	1%	2%
c. Public Education	73%	19%	4%	2%	2%

Q9. Suppose the Tea Party movement organized itself as a political party. When thinking about the next election for Congress, would you vote for **[Randomize]** the Republican candidate from your district, the Democratic candidate from your district, or the Tea Party candidate from your district? **[Randomize 1-2]**

1. Republican candidate   17%
2. Democratic candidate   42
3. Tea Party candidate   22
4. Don't know   20

Political Knowledge

[Randomize INFO1-INFO3]

INFO1. Which political party holds the majority in the U.S. House of Representatives?

1. Republican Party   72%
2. Democratic Party   16
3. Neither   2
4. Don't know   11

INFO2. What majority of both houses of the U.S. Congress is needed to override a presidential veto?

1. More than one-half   6%
2. More than two-thirds   68
3. More than three-fourths   14
4. Don't know   12

INFO3. Who is the current Attorney General of Texas?

1. Greg Abbott   78%
2. Michael Williams   0
3. Susan Combs   3
4. Victor Carrillo   0
5. Don't know   18

Political Orientation

We're almost done. Now we just have a few basic questions for statistical purposes.

LIBCON. On a scale from 1 to 7, where 1 is extremely liberal, 7 is extremely conservative, and 4 is exactly in the middle, where would you place yourself? **[Wording on scale: (1) "Extremely liberal," (4) "In the middle," (7) "Extremely conservative"]**

1. Extremely liberal   6%
2. Somewhat liberal   9
3. Lean liberal   10
4. In the middle   29
5. Lean conservative   15
6. Somewhat conservative   18
7. Extremely conservative   4

PID3. Generally speaking, would you say that you usually think of yourself as a…

1. Democrat   44%
2. Independent   11
3. Republican   45

PID7. (Uses the four PID3 follow-up questions)

1. Strong Democrat   24%
2. Not very strong Democrat   10
3. Lean Democrat   11
4. Independent   11
5. Lean Republican   10
6. Not very strong Republican   13
7. Strong Republican   22
8. Other   0

Demographics

AGE. Please indicate your age group.

1. 18-29   15%
2. 30-44   32
3. 45-64   35
4. 65 and up   18

LOCATE. Would you say that you live in an urban, suburban, or rural community?

1. Urban   27%
2. Suburban   50
3. Rural   23

METRO. Do you live in the Houston, Dallas-Fort Worth, San Antonio, or Austin metropolitan areas?

1. Yes, I live in the Houston area.   21%
2. Yes, I live the Dallas-Fort Worth area   29
3. Yes, I live in the San Antonio area   8
4. Yes, I live in the Austin area   10
5. No, I live in another part of Texas.   32

CHILD. How many children are currently living with you?

1. One   18%
2. Two   12
3. Three   5
4. Four or more   3
5. None   61

INCOME. In which category would you place your household income last year?

1. Less than $10,000   6%
2. $10,000 to $19,999   9
3. $20,000 to $29,999   9
4. $30,000 to $39,999   9
5. $40,000 to $49,999   9
6. $50,000 to $59,999   9
7. $60,000 to $69,999   5
8. $70,000 to $79,999   7
9. $80,000 to $99,999   8
10. $100,000 to $119,999   6
11. $120,000 to $149,999   5
12. More than $150,000   5
13. Prefer not to say   13

EDU. What is the highest level of education that you received?

1. Less than high school   8%
2. High school degree   26
3. Some college   26
4. Two-year college degree   10
5. Four-year college degree   20
6. Post-graduate degree   10

LITERAL. Which of these statements comes closest to describing your feelings about the Bible?

1. The Bible is the actual word of God and is to be taken literally, word for word.   35%
2. The Bible is the word of God but not everything in it should be taken literally, word for word.   38
3. The Bible is a book written by men and is not the word of God.   22
4. Don't know.   5

IMPORT. How important is religion in your life?

1. Extremely important   49%
2. Somewhat important   29
3. Not very important   10
4. Not at all important   13

ATTEND. Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services or participate in religious activities?

1. More than once a week   16%
2. Once a week   21
3. A few times a month   12
4. Once or twice a year   24
5. Never   27

RACE1. What race do you consider yourself to be?

1. White   59%
2. African American   13
3. Hispanic or Latino   22
4. Asian/Pacific Islander   1
5. Native American   1
6. Multi-racial   2
7. Other   1

HOME. Do you own or rent your home?

1. Own   72%
2. Rent   28

MARITAL. What is your marital status?

1. Married   55%
2. Separated   2
3. Divorced   11
4. Widowed   7
5. Single   21
6. Domestic Partnership   4

GENDER. What is your gender?

1. Male   47%
2. Female   53