

# HRC / CFEP Nebraska Statewide Frequency Questionnaire

August 2-4, 2011

**616 Respondents Statewide**

**305 Respondents in Omaha**

Q.1 First of all, are you registered to vote at this address?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Yes .....	95	98
No .....	5	2
(ref:SCREEN1)		

Q.2 Many people weren't able to vote in the 2008 election for president between Barack Obama and John McCain. How about you? Were you able to vote, or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Voted .....	86	90
Not registered in 2008/Ineligible/too young .....	6	4
Did not vote .....	7	4
(Can't remember/Don't know) .....	1	1
(Refused) .....	-	-
(ref:VOTE08)		

Q.3 As you may know, there was an election last November for Congress and other offices. Many people weren't able to vote. How about you? Were you able to vote or for some reason were you unable to vote?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Voted .....	71	69
Did not vote .....	26	27
(Can't remember/Don't know) .....	2	2
(Refused) .....	-	-
Not registered/ineligible/too young .....	2	1
(ref:VOTE10)		

Q.4 I know it is a long way off, but what are the chances of your voting in the election for President and Congress in 2012: are you almost certain to vote, will you probably vote, are the chances 50-50, or don't you think you will vote?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Almost certain .....	82	87
Probably .....	12	9
50-50 .....	4	4
Will not vote .....	1	-
(Don't know).....	1	0
(Refused) (Terminate) .....	-	-
(ref:CP10)		

Q.5 Generally speaking, do you think that things in Nebraska are going in the right direction, or do you feel things have gotten pretty seriously off on the wrong track?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Right direction.....	53	50
Wrong track .....	33	35
(Don't know/Refused) .....	14	15
<b>Right - Wrong</b> .....	<b>20</b>	<b>15</b>
(ref:DIRECT)		

Q.6 Now, I'd like to rate your feelings toward some people, groups and ideas, with one hundred meaning a VERY WARM, FAVORABLE feeling; zero meaning a VERY COLD, UNFAVORABLE feeling; and fifty meaning not particularly warm or cold. You can use any number from zero to one hundred, the higher the number the more favorable your feelings are toward that person, group or idea. If you have no opinion or never heard of that person or group, please say so.

	Mean	% Warm	% Cool	% ID
6 Gay and lesbian people .....	51	31	29	88
<b>Omaha</b> .....	60	42	18	85
[308 Respondents]				
7 (SPLIT A) Conservative political groups .....	52	40	32	92
<b>Omaha</b> .....	51	42	35	92
8 Gay rights groups.....	45	28	38	88
<b>Omaha</b> .....	54	38	29	87
9 Republicans in Congress .....	49	39	36	96
<b>Omaha</b> .....	46	32	36	94
10 Transgender people.....	45	23	35	82
<b>Omaha</b> .....	52	29	26	80
[308 Respondents]				
11 (SPLIT B) Evangelical Christians.....	58	37	19	81
<b>Omaha</b> .....	51	24	27	79
12 Bisexual people.....	47	25	32	86
<b>Omaha</b> .....	55	35	20	83
13 Democrats in Congress .....	41	26	46	96
<b>Omaha</b> .....	44	30	41	95

(ref:THERM2)

Q.14 Now I'm going to read you some pairs of statements. After I read each pair, please tell me whether the FIRST statement or the SECOND statement comes closer to your own view, even if neither is exactly right.

	1st Stmt Strng	1st Not Strng	2nd Not Strng	2nd Stmt Strng	Both	Neither	DK/Ref	Total 1st Stmt	Total 2nd Stmt	1st - 2nd
14 It would not bother me if one of my children or grandchildren turned out to be gay.										
It would bother me a great deal if one of my children or grandchildren turned out to be gay. ....	41	14	8	31	0	2	4	56	38	17
<b>Omaha</b> .....	55	13	6	20	1	1	4	68	26	43

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15 (ASK MEN) I could be close friends with a gay man.

I could not be close friends with a gay man. ....	45	24	8	17	0	2	4	69	24	45
<b>Omaha</b> .....	58	18	5	14	-	2	3	76	18	58

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16 (ASK WOMEN) I could be close friends with a lesbian.

I could not be close friends with a lesbian. ....	62	14	7	12	0	1	4	76	19	57
<b>Omaha</b> .....	70	12	4	10	1	1	2	82	14	68

(ref:PAIR1)

Q.17 Please tell me if you favor or oppose the following:

	Strng Fav	Smwt Fav	Smwt Opp	Strng Opp	Dk/ Ref	Total Fav	Total Opp	Fav - Opp
17 Allowing gay and lesbian couples to marry legally.....	28	15	9	42	6	42	51	-9
<b>Omaha</b> .....	39	15	7	33	6	54	40	14
18 Allowing gay and lesbian couples to enter into legal agreements with each other that would give them many of the same rights as married couples .....	43	22	6	25	5	64	30	34
<b>Omaha</b> .....	52	21	4	19	5	72	23	49
19 Allowing gay and lesbian couples to adopt children .....	36	20	9	31	4	56	40	16
<b>Omaha</b> .....	46	19	6	24	4	66	30	36
20 Requiring the federal government to recognize same-sex marriages performed in states where gay marriage is legal when it comes to such as issues as tax benefits, Social Security and federal health benefits.....	35	15	10	33	6	51	43	7
<b>Omaha</b> .....	44	17	6	28	5	61	34	27
21 Protecting gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender people from discrimination in employment, housing, and public accommodations. ....	53	20	10	10	7	73	20	54
<b>Omaha</b> .....	63	15	5	10	7	78	15	63
22 Passing a law to prohibit bullying and harassment against minority groups in schools, including gay, lesbian, bisexual, and transgender students or the children of gay, lesbian or transgender parents.....	59	14	9	13	5	73	22	51
<b>Omaha</b> .....	61	14	6	15	5	75	20	54

(ref: COREBAT)

Q.23 Setting aside your views on these issues, over the last five or ten years, have your feelings towards gay, lesbian, bisexual, or transgender people become much more accepting, somewhat more accepting, somewhat less accepting, much less accepting or have they not changed?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Much more accepting .....	13	20
Somewhat more accepting .....	20	20
Somewhat less accepting .....	4	3
Much less accepting .....	5	2
Have not changed .....	56	54
(Don't know/Refused) .....	2	1
<b>Total More .....</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>39</b>
<b>Total Less .....</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6</b>
<b>More - Less.....</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>34</b>
(ref:CHANGE1)		

Q.24 Regardless of you feel about the issue, do you believe gay and lesbian couples will be allowed to legally marry in most states sometime in the next five years, sometime in the next 5 to 10 years, in more than 10 years or never?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Next 5 years .....	17	18
Next 5-10 years .....	32	36
More than 10 years.....	27	23
Never .....	17	15
(Don't know/refused).....	6	7
(ref:INEVIT)		

Q.25 Do you believe discrimination against lesbian, gay, bisexual and transgender people is a major problem in this country, minor problems, not much of a problem or no problem at all?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Major problem.....	32	34
Minor problem.....	41	42
Not much of a problem .....	14	13
No problem at all .....	7	7
(Don't know/refused).....	6	5
<b>Total Problem.....</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>76</b>
<b>Total Not problem .....</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>
<b>Problem - Not problem .....</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>56</b>
(ref:DESPROB2)		

Q.26 Do you favor or oppose attempts to turn gay people straight through intensive psychological therapy or prayer?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Strongly favor .....	12	9
Somewhat favor.....	7	6
Somewhat oppose.....	18	14
Strongly oppose.....	50	61
(Don't know/Refused) .....	13	10
<b>Total favor .....</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>15</b>
<b>Total oppose .....</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>75</b>
<b>Favor - Oppose .....</b>	<b>-49</b>	<b>-59</b>
(ref:THERAPY)		

Q.27 Finally, I'd like to ask you a few questions strictly for statistical purposes. What is the last year of schooling that you have completed?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
1 - 11th grade .....	2	2
High School graduate .....	22	15
Non-college post H.S.....	3	2
Some college .....	27	29
College graduate .....	33	40
Post-graduate school.....	12	12
(Don't know/Refused) .....	1	1
(ref:EDUC)		

Q.28 In what year were you born?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
18 - 24 .....	7	10
25 - 29 .....	9	11
30 - 34 .....	8	10
35 - 39 .....	7	6
40 - 44 .....	7	10
45 - 49 .....	10	7
50 - 54 .....	7	6
55 - 59 .....	9	8
60 - 64 .....	10	9
65 and over.....	22	19
(No answer) .....	4	4
(ref:AGE)		

Q.29 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as a Democrat, a Republican, an independent or as a member of another political party?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Strong Democrat .....	13	17
Weak Democrat.....	10	11
Independent-lean Democrat .....	11	13
Independent.....	10	12
Independent-lean Republican.....	12	11
Weak Republican .....	19	15
Strong Republican .....	22	19
(Don't know/Refused) .....	3	1
(ref:PTYID1)		

Q.30 Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you generally consider yourself to be: Liberal, Moderate, or Conservative.

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Liberal.....	17	23
Moderate .....	37	40
Conservative.....	41	34
(Don't know/refused).....	4	3
(ref:IDEO1)		

Q.31 Do you personally know or work with someone who is gay or lesbian?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Yes .....	60	70
No .....	36	27
(Don't know/refused).....	3	3
(ref:KNOWGAY)		

Q.32 What is your religion -- Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, Muslim, another Christian religion, another religion, or do you not have a religious affiliation?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Protestant .....	45	34
Catholic.....	23	32
Jewish.....	1	1
Muslim/Islam.....	0	-
Other Christian .....	13	9
Other religion .....	3	6
Not affiliated or nothing in particular .....	11	14
(Don't know/refused).....	4	3
(ref:RELIG1A)		



[541 Respondents]

Q.33 (CHRISTIAN ONLY) Would you describe yourself as a born-again or Evangelical Christian, or not?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Yes .....	32	26
No .....	60	68
(DK/REF) .....	8	7
(ref:BORNAGIN)		

Q.34 Aside from weddings and funerals, how often do you attend religious services, more than once a week, once a week, once or twice a month, a few times a year, seldom, or never?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
More than once a week .....	11	12
Once a week.....	28	30
Once or twice a month.....	18	17
A few times a year .....	18	17
Seldom .....	13	11
Never .....	9	12
(DK/REF) .....	3	2
(ref:RELIG2)		

Q.35 What racial or ethnic group best describes you?

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
White .....	88	85
African-American or Black .....	2	5
Hispanic or Latino .....	3	3
Native American .....	2	2
Asian.....	0	1
(Other) .....	1	2
(Don't know/Refused) .....	4	2
(ref: RACE)		

Q.36 Record respondent's gender

	<b>Total</b>	<b>Omaha</b>
Male.....	47	44
Female.....	53	56
(ref:GENDER)		