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NOTE: all results shown are percentages unless otherwise labeled.

#### **UNSOLICITED MAIL STUDY**

1. As you may know, the government recently set up a list for people who want to avoid most telephone sales calls. Have you signed up for the government's "do not call" list or not?

Yes, have signed up	45
No, have not signed up	54
Not sure	1

## (ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY YES IN Q.1.)

2. Since you signed up for the "do not call" list, would you say that the number of telephone calls to your home from companies or individuals trying to sell you products has ...

Decreased	74
Increased	3
Not really changed	22
Not sure	1

#### (ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY DECREASED IN Q.2.)

3. Would you say those calls have decreased only a little, decreased a lot or stopped altogether since you signed up for the "do not call" list?

Decreased a little	22
Decreased a lot	54
Stopped altogether	24
Not sure	-

SUMMARY OF Q.2 AND Q.3	
Total Calls Have Decreased	74
- Decreased a little	17
- Decreased a lot	40
- Stopped altogether	17
Increased	3
Not Really Changed	22
Not Sure	1

## Now, thinking about e-mail ...

4. Do you use e-mail regularly, or not?

Yes, use e-mail regularly	55
No, do not use e-mail regularly	45
Not sure	_

## (ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY YES IN Q.4.)

5. How would you describe the amount of unsolicited e-mail, also known as "spam," that you receive from companies or people trying to sell you a product? Would you say you get ...

Total Great Deal/Some	77 22
Not sure	1
No spam at all	7
Not much spam	15
Some spam	24
A great deal of spam	53

#### (ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY A GREAT DEAL OR SOME IN Q.5.)

6. Has the amount of spam you receive prompted you to use e-mail less than you used to, or has it not really made a difference in how you use e-mail?

Use e-mail less	21
No difference	79
Use e-mail more because of spam	
(DO NOT READ)	-
Not sure	-

7. As you may know, a new federal law went into effect January first that is intended to decrease the amount of unsolicited e-mail, or spam. Since that law went into effect, would you say the amount of spam you get in e-mail has...

Decreased	17
Increased	10
Not really changed	71
Not sure	2

## (ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY DECREASED IN Q.7.)

8. Would you say the amount of spam you get has decreased only a little, decreased a lot or stopped altogether since the new anti-spam law went into effect?

Decreased a little	50
Decreased a lot	42
Stopped altogether	8
Not sure	_

SUMMARY OF Q.7 AND Q.8	
Total Spam Has Decreased	18
- Decreased a little	9
- Decreased a lot	7
- Stopped altogether	1
Increased	10
Not Really Changed	71
Not Sure	2

9. Have you ever bought anything as a result of an offer you got in unsolicited e-mail or "spam," or have you not bought anything as result of such an e-mail offer?

Yes	5
No	95
Not sure	-

#### **DEMOGRAPHICS**

NOTE:	Results for	r demographic d	auestions re	present all	adults unl	ess otherwise	indicated.
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- D1a. First of all, in what year were you born?
- D1b. Have you already had a birthday this year?

## (IF RESPONDENT REFUSES Q.D1a OR Q.D1b, Q.D1c ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D1c. Are you:

18-34	31
35-49	
50-64	24
65 and over	16
Refused/not sure	1

D2. Are you employed:

TOTAL EMPLOYED	63
Full time	51
Part time	12
Not employed	17
Retired	20
Refused/not sure	-

## (Q.D3 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO ARE EMPLOYED FULL OR PART-TIME IN Q.D2.)

D3. We would also like to have just a general idea of what type of occupation you have. Which one of the following best describes your current job?

Professional	15
Senior executive or manager	7
Clerical or administrative	7
Sales or services	11
A skilled trade or technical occupation	10
Blue-collar work or laborer	7
Farming or fishing	1
Other (VOL)	5
Refused/not sure	-
Not Employed Full/Part Time (Q.D2)	37

D4. What is the last year of school you completed?

Grade school or some high school	7
Completed high school	27
Some college but did not finish	24
Completed a two year college degree	10
Completed a four year college degree	20
Completed a post-graduate degree such	
as a Master's or Ph.D.	11
Refused/not sure	1

D5.	Are you	currently	married?

Yes	58
No	42
Refused/not sure	_

D6. Including yourself and any children, how many people are currently living in your household?

1	17
2	35
3	19
4	16
5	8
6 or more	4
Refused/not sure	1

## (Q.D7a-c ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY MORE THAN ONE PERSON IN HOUSEHOLD IN Q.D6.)

D7a. How many children under 6 years are currently living in your household?

D7b. How many children ages 6 to 12 are currently living in your household?

D7c. How many children ages 13 to 17 are currently living in your household?

ANY CHILDREN – NET	39
Under 6	20
6-12	19
13-17	14
NO CHILDREN	60
Refused/not sure	1

D8. Are you currently registered to vote at this address, or not?

Yes	77
No	23
Refused/not sure	_

## (Q.D9a-d ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY ARE REGISTERED TO VOTE IN Q.D8.)

D9a. Do you consider yourself a Democrat, a Republican, an Independent or none of these?

(IF "DEMOCRAT" TO Q.D9a, Q.D9b ASKED. IF "REPUBLICAN" TO Q.D9a, Q.D9c ASKED. IF "INDEPENDENT" or "NONE OF THESE" TO Q.D9a, Q.D9d ASKED. RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

D9b. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Democratic Party?

D9c. Do you lean strongly or only moderately toward the Republican Party?

D9d. Do your beliefs tend to lean more toward the Democrats or the Republicans?

	REGISTERED
	<b>V</b> OTERS
Strongly Republican	17
Moderately Republican	26
Definitely Independent/neither	9
Moderately Democrat	27
Strongly Democrat	20
Refused/not sure	11
Total Republican	43
Total Democrat	47

D10.	Do you currently own stocks, bond	s or mutual funds?
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Yes	48
No	49
Refused/not sure	3

## (Q.D11 ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THEY OWN STOCKS, BONDS OR MUTUAL FUNDS IN Q.D10.)

D11. In the past 12 months, how many times did you make changes in your investments - buying or selling stocks or stock mutual funds either within or outside an employer-sponsored 401K plan?

	<b>INVESTORS</b>
None	36
1 time	21
2 times	
3 times	9
4 times	5
5 to 9 times	7
10 to 14 times	5
15 to 19 times	1
20 to 24 times	1
25 times or more	2
Refused/not sure	3
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Active Investors (5 times or more)....... 16

D12. Do you own your home, or do you rent?

Own	69
Rent	29
Refused/not sure	2

D13a. What religion are you? Protestant, Catholic, Jewish, or some other religion?

Protestant	49
Catholic	24
Jewish	1
Some other religion	13
(DO NOT READ) No religion	10
Refused/not sure	3

D13b. Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or born-again Christian, or neither?

Born-again Christian	25
Fundamentalist	7
Neither	66
Refused/not sure	2

D14.	Could you please tell me your household income from all sources in 2003?

Under \$15,000	10
\$15,000 to less than \$20,000	6
\$20,000 to less than \$25,000	7
\$25,000 to less than \$30,000	6
\$30,000 to less than \$40,000	10
\$40,000 to less than \$50,000	8
\$50,000 to less than \$75,000	16
\$75,000 to less than \$100,000	7
\$100,000 or more	13
Refused/not sure	17

D15a. Are you of Hispanic ethnicity?

## (Q.D15b ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO DO NOT SAY THEY ARE HISPANIC IN Q.D15a.)

D15b. Are you white, black, Asian, or some other race?

## (RESULTS SHOWN IN SUMMARY BELOW.)

White	79
Black	8
Hispanic	6
Asian	2
American Indian	2
Other	2
Refused	1

## **REGION:**

Northeast	20
Midwest	23
South	34
West	23

#### **METROPOLITAN STATUS:**

Urban	26
Suburban	51
Rural	23

## **GENDER:**

Male	48
Female	52