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ASK ALL:

PEW.1 As I read a list of some stories covered by news organizations this past week, please tell me if you happened to follow each news story very closely, fairly closely, not too closely, or not at all closely. First, [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE;] [IF NECESSARY "Did you follow [ITEM] very closely, fairly closely, not too closely or not at all closely?"]

		Very closely	Fairly <u>closely</u>	Not too closely	Not at all closely	(VOL.) DK/Ref
a.	Reports about the condition of the U.S.	<u></u>				
	economy					
	March 10-13, 2011	40	30	16	13	*
	March 3-6, 2011	37	31	17	13	1
	February 24-27, 2011	49	29	11	10	*
	February 17-20, 2011	35	33	14	17	*
	February 10-13, 2011	36	34	13	16	*
	February 3-6, 2011	35	37	14	14	*
	January 20-23, 2011	37	33	14	15	1
	January 13-16, 2010	37	29	15	18	1
	January 6-9, 2011	39	37	11	12	1
	December 16-19, 2010	39	31	14	15	2
	December 9-12, 2010	39	30	14	16	1
	December 2-5, 2010	52	28	11	9	*
	November 18-21, 2010	46	31	11	11	*
	November 11-14, 2010	38	30	15	16	1
	November 4-7, 2010	44	32	11	13	*
	October 28-November 1, 2010	39	34	11	15	1
	October 21-24, 2010	41	29	14	14	1
	October 14-17, 2010	42	33	12	13	*
	October 7-10, 2010	36	33	15	15	1
	September 30-October 3, 2010	43	35	10	11	1
	September 23-26, 2010	43	34	13	9	1
	September 16-19, 2010	37	30	16	16	1
	September 2-6, 2010	43	31	13	12	*
	August 19-22, 2010	39	31	14	15	1
	August 5-8, 2010	39	33	14	13	1
	July 29-August 1, 2010	51	33	11	5	*
	July 22-25, 2010	46	33	14	6	1
	July 15-18, 2010	37	33	14	15	1 *
	July 8-11, 2010	36	33	15	16	*
	July 1-5, 2010	48	30	13 15	8	
	June 24-27, 2010	37	37	15 15	11	1
	June 17-20, 2010	38	34	15 17	13 9	*
	June 10-13, 2010	39 25	35			1
	June 3-6, 2010	35 43	33 29	16 13	14 15	! *
	May 27-30, 2010 May 20-23, 2010	43 40	29 35	13	11	*
		40	32	11	8	1
	May 13-16, 2010 May 7-10, 2010	49	34	11	12	★
	3	32	37	17	14	1
	April 30-May 3, 2010 April 23-26, 2010	32 42	31	17	14	! *
	April 16-19, 2010	42	32	14	14	0
	April 9-12, 2010 April 9-12, 2010	40	32	15	13	*
	April 1-5, 2010 April 1-5, 2010	33	34	14	19	*
	March 19-22, 2010	33 41	32	14	13	*
	March 19-22, 2010 March 12-15, 2010	41	35	12	12	*
	March 12-13, 2010	41	33	12	12	

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	<u>closely</u>	closely	closely	<u>closely</u>	DK/Ref
March 5-8, 2010	40	34	12	13	*
February 26-March 1, 2010	31	33	17	19	*
February 19-22, 2010	38	34	15	12	*
February 12-15, 2010	35	34	15	16	*
February 5-8, 2010	43	36	13	9	*
January 29-February 1, 2010	45	32	13	10	*
January 22-25, 2010	41	34	14	10	*
January 15-18, 2010	37	38	14	11	*
January 8-11, 2010	39	33	15	12	*
December 18-21, 2009	45	31	14	10	0
December 11-14, 2009	42	31	14	13	*
December 4-7, 2009	41	36	13	9	1
November 13-16, 2009	38	33	14	15	*
October 30-November 2, 2009	34	32	17	16	*
October 23-26, 2009	44	30	15	10	1
October 9-12, 2009	41	29	16	13	*
October 2-5, 2009	44	30	15	11	0
September 25-28, 2009	44	37	10	10	*
September 18-21, 2009	44	34	15	7	*
September 11-14, 2009	45	32	14	9	*
September 3-6, 2009	41	31	15	13	*
August 28-31, 2009	45	30	13	12	1
August 21-24, 2009	50	27	13	10	1
August 14-17, 2009	41	37	11	12	*
August 7-10, 2009	42	34	13	10	*
July 31-August 3, 2009	46	34	11	8	*
July 24-27, 2009	45	35	12	8	*
July 17-20, 2009	43	35	11	11	1
July 10-13, 2009	37	38	13	11	*
July 2-5, 2009	38	35	15	12	*
June 19-22, 2009	42	33	15	10	*
June 12-15, 2009	41	35	12	12	*
June 5-8, 2009	41	34	11	14	*
May 29-June 1, 2009	43	37	11	8	*
May 21-24, 2009	44	35	13	9	*
May 15-18, 2009	44	35	12	8	*
May 8-11, 2009	42	34	12	12	*
May 1-4, 2009	47	36	11	5	1
April 17-20, 2009	52	30	10	7	1
April 9-13, 2009	48	29	13	10	0 *
March 27-30, 2009	48	32	10	10	*
March 20-23, 2009	52	34	8	6	*
March 13-16, 2009	48	33	9	10	*
February 27-March 2, 2009	56 55	30	8	6	*
February 13-16, 2009	55 53	29	10	6	*
January 30-February 2, 2009	52 57	31	12	5	
January 23-26, 2009	57	30 25	8 12	5 9	0 *
January 16-19, 2009	43 42	35	13 15	7	*
January 2-4, 2009 December 12-15, 2008	42 51	36 33	9	, 7	*
December 5-8, 2008	42	38	13	7	*
November 21-24, 2008	59	24	9	8	*
November 14-17, 2008	56	29	9	6	*
November 14-17, 2008 November 7-10, 2008	56 54	29 31	8	6 7	*
October 31-November 3, 2008	63	27	6	4	*
October 24-27, 2008	52	35	7	5	1
October 17-20, 2008	62	35 29	6	3	 *
October 17-20, 2008 October 10-13, 2008	65	29 25	7	3	*
October 3-6, 2008	69	23	5	3	*
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September 26-29, 2008	70	22	5	3	*
September 19-22, 2008	56	27	12	5	*
September 5-8, 2008	44	33	16	7	*
August 29-31, 2008	41	34	13	11	1
August 15-18, 2008	39	36	15	10	*
August 8-11, 2008	39	35	16	10	*
August 1-4, 2008	47	34	11	8	0
July 25-28, 2008	46	32	10	12	*
July 18-21, 2008	45	33	13	9	*
July 11-14, 2008	44	33	12	10	1
June 27-30, 2008	49	31	12	7	1
June 13-16, 2008	42	33	14	11	*
May 9-12, 2008	45	31	13	11	*
May 2-5, 2008	43	31	15	10	1
April 18-21, 2008	41	35	13	10	1
April 4-7, 2008	39	37	12	12	*
March 28-31, 2008	42	36	14	8	*
March 20-24, 2008	45	33	13	9	*
February 29-March 3, 2008	38	35	15	11	1
February 15-18, 2008	37	36	11	16	8
February 1-4, 2008	40	37	14	8	1
January 18-21, 2008	42	31	16	11	*
January 11-14, 2008	36	32	15	16	1
November 2-5, 2007	27	37	16	19	1
October 19-22, 2007	25	34	20	21	*
August 10-13, 2007	28	36	18	18	*
Mid-November, 2006	31	40	17	11	1
December, 2005	35	35	18	11	1
Early November, 2005	35	39	17	9	*
Mid-May, 2005	30	39	19	11	1
January, 2005	35	41	17	7	*
Mid-October, 2004	30	43	16	10	1
Early September, 2004	39	34	15	11	1
Mid-January, 2004	37	41	15	7	*
December, 2003	35	38	14	11	2
November, 2003	40	34	15	10	1
October, 2003	32	39	16	12	1
September, 2003	39	30	18	12	1
March, 2003	40	35	16	8	1
February, 2003	42	33	15	10	*
December, 2002	38	34	17	10	1
February, 2002	35	40	15	9	1
January, 2002	30	44	16	9	1
December, 2001	37	40	13	8	2
Mid-November, 2001	41	36	15	7	1
June, 2001	24	41	18	16	1
May, 2001	34	36	15	15	0
April, 2001	36	34	16	13	1
February, 2001	30	39	18	12	1
January, 2001	32	38	17	11	2
June, 1995	26	41	22	11	*
March, 1995	27	45	19	9	*
February, 1995	23	41	22	13	1
December, 1994	28	43	20	9	*
October, 1994	27	40	20	12	1
June, 1994	25	42	23	10	*
May, 1994	33	40	16	10	1
January, 1994	34	39	16	10	1
Early January, 1994	36	44	13	7	*

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	December, 1993	35	41	15	8	1
	October, 1993	33	38	20	9	*
	September, 1993	37	40	14	8	1 *
	Early September, 1993	39	39	14 14	9	*
	August, 1993	41 37	36 38	14 18	9 6	1
	May, 1993 February, 1993	37 49	36	10	5	1 *
	January, 1993	42	39	12	7	*
	September, 1992	43	37	13	6	1
	May, 1992	39	39	15	6	1
	March, 1992	47	38	11	4	*
	February, 1992	47	37	10	6	*
	January, 1992	44	40	11	5	*
	October, 1991	36	38	16	9	1
b.	Disputes in Wisconsin and other states between state governments and public					
	employee unions					
	March 10-13, 2011	30	26	18	25	1
	March 3-6, 2011	29	24	19 15	27	1
	February 24-27, 2011	36	22	15	26	1
C.	Growing violence in Libya	00	20	0.1	20	*
	March 3 (2011	29	29	21	20	
	March 3-6, 2011	31 38	31 30	18 15	19 16	1 *
TD	February 24-27, 2011 ENDS FOR COMPARISON	30	30	15	10	
ıĸ	February 17-20, 2011: News about the					
	situation in Egypt	34	32	17	16	1
	February 17-20, 2011: Anti-government	0 1	02	.,	10	•
	protests in other Middle Eastern and North					
	African nations	20	30	22	28	1
	February 10-13, 2011: Anti-government					
	protests in Egypt and the resignation of					
	President Hosni Mubarak	39	31	14	15	1
	February 3-6, 2011: Anti-government					
	protests in Egypt and other Middle Eastern	20	25	4.4	10	*
	countries	32 17	35 26	16 21	18 35	*
	January 27-30, 2011 January 20-23, 2011: <i>Political instability in</i>	17	20	21	35	
	Tunisia following the collapse of the					
	government	7	15	25	53	1
	January 13-16, 2010: The collapse of the	,	10	20	55	•
	Lebanese government	4	11	20	64	*
	May 20-23, 2010: A government					
	crackdown on protestors in Thailand	7	14	27	52	1
	July 31-August 3, 2009: The Iranian					
	government's crackdown on opposition					
	protestors	18	23	26	31	2
	July 2-5, 2009: News about controversy					
	surrounding the recent Iranian election	22	31	23	23	*
	June 26-29, 2009: The Iranian					
	government's crackdown on election	31	27	10	22	1
	protestors June 19-22, 2009: Protests in Iran over	31	27	18	23	ı
	disputed elections	28	28	21	22	1
	March 20-24, 2008: <i>Violent protests in</i>	20	20	۷.	~~	ı
	Tibet against the Chinese government	12	27	26	35	*
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	September 28-October 1, 2007: Pro-	<u> </u>	<u> </u>			
	democracy protests by Buddhist monks in Burma	13	27	20	39	1
	March 17-21, 2005: <i>Protests and political</i>	13	21	20	39	ļ
	changes in Lebanon	10	28	25	36	1
	January 6-11, 2004: Reports that Libya will					
	end its weapons program and cooperate with UN inspectors	14	30	28	27	1
	October 6-8, 2000: Civil unrest and rioting		50	20	2,	
	in Belgrade, Yugoslavia	18	27	24	31	*
	January 9-12, 1997: Protests and					
	demonstrations in Belgrade against Serbian President Milosevic	7	14	29	49	1
	July 10-24, 1986: The U.S. air strike	,		2,	77	
	against Libya	58	27	11	3	1
d.	News about possible candidates for the 2012					
u.	presidential elections					
	March 10-13, 2011	15	21	26	38	0
	February 10-13, 2011	16	19	24	40	*
	February 3-6, 2011	15	20	23	42	*
	TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:					
	October 24-27, 2008: <i>2008 Presidential Election</i>	44	36	11	0	1
	October 17-20, 2008	44 61	28	11 7	8 4	 *
	October 17-20, 2008	52	31	, 12	5	*
	October 3-6, 2008	57	31	8	4	*
	September 26-29, 2008	56	29	10	5	*
	September 19-22, 2008	47	33	14	6	*
	September 12-15, 2008	40	38	14	7	1
	September 5-8, 2008	45	39	12	4	*
	August 29-31, 2008	45	32	15	8	*
	August 15, 19, 2008	31	36	22	11	*
	August 9 11 2008	25 27	41 38	19 22	14 13	1
	August 8-11, 2008 August 1-4, 2008	30	30 42	22 19	9	*
	July 25-28, 2008	30	34	21	15	*
	July 18-21, 2008	30	35	21	14	*
	July 11-14, 2008	28	34	22	15	1
	July 3-7, 2008	25	35	23	17	*
	June 27-30, 2008	39	33	18	10	*
	June 20-23, 2008	28	38	22	12	*
	June 13-16, 2008	35	35	20	10	*
	June 6-9, 2008	38	35	17	10	*
	May 30-June 2, 2008	30	35	21	14	*
	May 22-25, 2008	32	37	20	11	*
	May 16-19, 2008	33	37	19	10	1 *
	May 9-12, 2008	35	36	18	11	
	May 2-5, 2008	27 34	35 37	23 18	14 11	1 *
	April 25-28, 2008 April 18-21, 2008	34 29	37 41	19	10	1
	April 18-21, 2008 April 11-14, 2008	31	37	22	10	1 *
	April 4-7, 2008	33	36	17	14	*
	March 28-31, 2008	31	41	18	10	*
	March 20-24, 2008	34	37	18	11	*
	March 14-17, 2008	40	37	16	7	*
	March 7-10, 2008	39	36	15	9	1
	February 29-March 3, 2008	43	34	14	9	*
	February 22-25, 2008	42	37	13	8	*

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February 15-18, 2008	44	36	10	10	*
February 8-11, 2008	39	37	15	9	0
February 1-4, 2008	37	35	16	12	*
January 25-28, 2008	36	37	14	12	1
January 18-21, 2008	36	34	18	12	*
January 11-14, 2008 ¹	32	31	19	17	1
January 4-7, 2008	33	36	19	11	1
December 14-17, 2007	25	34	22	19	*
December 7-10, 2007	24	35	22	19	*
November 30 – December 3, 2007	23	35	23	19	*
November 23-26, 2007	20	33	26	20	1
November 16-19, 2007	26	33	21	19	1
November 9-12, 2007	21	33	25	21	*
November 2-5, 2007	27	30	21	21	1
October 26-29, 2007	21	34	26	19	*
October 19-22, 2007	23	32	22	23	*
October 12-15, 2007	13	31	26	30	*
October 5-8, 2007	22	30	24	24	*
September 28 – October 1, 2007	21	34	25	20	*
September 21-24, 2007	24	31	22	23	*
September 14-17, 2007	22	31	24	23	*
September 7-10, 2007	18	34	26	22	*
August 30-September 2, 2007	19	35	21	25	*
August 24-27, 2007	22	28	24	26	*
August 17-20, 2007	19	27	24	30	*
August 10-13, 2007	23	32	21	24	*
August 3-6, 2007	19	31	25	25	*
July 27-30, 2007	19	32	22	26	1
July 20-23, 2007	16	26	30	27	1
July 13-16, 2007	17	29	27	27	*
July 6-9, 2007	24	29	24	22	1
June 29-July 2, 2007	20	32	25	23	*
June 22-25, 2007	18	31	21	30	*
June 15-18, 2007	17	32	26	25	*
June 8-11, 2007	19	30	24	26	1
June 1-4, 2007	16	27	32	24	1
May 24-27, 2007	22	33	23	22	*
May 18-21, 2007	18	31	24	27	*
May 11-14, 2007	18	30	23	28	1
May 4-7, 2007	23	34	21	21	1
April 27-30, 2007	14	30	29	26	1
April 20-23, 2007	18	28	27	27	*
April 12-16, 2007	18	28	27	27	*
April 5-9, 2007	25	30	26	19	*
March 30-April 2, 2007	20	29	20 27	23	1
·	20		22	26	*
March 16, 10, 2007		32		27	1
March 9 13 2007	15 24	28 30	29 23	23	1 *
March 3. F. 2007					
March 2-5, 2007	19 22	31	26 24	23	1 *
February 23-26, 2007	22	33	24	21 27	
February 16-19, 2007	18 24	32	22	27 21	1
February 9-12, 2007	24	30	24	21	1 *
February 2-5, 2007	24	36	22	18	*
January 26-29, 2007	24	33	23	20	
January 19-22, 2007 ²	24	27	22	26	1

January 11-14, 2008 asked about: "News about the New Hampshire primaries and the presidential campaign."

January 19-22, 2007 asked about: "Recent announcements by prominent Democrats about plans to run for president in 2008."

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		Very <u>closely</u>	Fairly <u>closely</u>	Not too closely	Not at all closely	(VOL.) DK/Ref
	November, 2004 (RVs): 2004 Presidential	,		J	,	
	Election	52	36	8	4	*
	Mid-October, 2004	46	30	12	11	1
	August, 2004	32	38	16	14	*
	July, 2004	29	37	18	15	1
	April, 2004	31	33	19	16	1
	Mid-March, 2004	35	34	18	13	*
	Late February, 2004	24	40	23	12	1
	Early February, 20043	29	37	20	13	1
	Mid-January, 2004	16	30	27	26	1
	Early January, 2004	14	32	30	23	1
	December, 2003	16	26	27	30	1
	November, 2003	11	26	34	28	1
	October, 2003	12	27	28	32	1
	September, 2003	17	25	30	27	1
	Mid-August, 2003	12	27	27	33	1
	May, 2003	8	19	31	41	1
	January, 2003	14	28	29	28	1
	Early November, 2000 (RVs): 2000					
	Presidential Election	39	44	12	5	*
	Mid-October, 2000 (RVs)	40	37	15	8	*
	Early October, 2000 (RVs)	42	36	15	6	1
	September, 2000	22	42	21	15	*
	July, 2000	21	38	20	20	1
	June, 2000	23	32	23	21	1
	May, 2000	18	33	26	23	*
	April, 2000	18	39	22	20	1
	March, 2000	26	41	19	13	1
	February, 2000	26	36	21	17	*
	January, 2000	19	34	28	18	1
	December, 1999	16	36	24	23	1
	October, 1999	17	32	28	22	1
	September, 1999	15	31	33	20	1
	July, 1999	15	38	24	22	1
	June, 1999	11	25	29	34	1
	November, 1996 (RVs): 1996 Presidential			_,	0.	•
	Election	34	45	15	6	*
	October, 1996	31	39	18	12	*
e.	Congressional hearings on possible support	31	39	10	12	
٥.	for terrorism among Muslim Americans					
	March 10-13, 2011	18	22	25	35	1
	TREND FOR COMPARISON:			_0		•
	May 2004: The Sept. 11 Commission's					
	hearings on the 2001 terrorist attacks	26	36	21	16	1
	Early April, 2004	29	34	20	16	1
	Lang / 19/11/ 2007	۷,	0 1	20	10	'

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From May 2003 to Early February 2004 and in March 1992, the story was listed as "The race for the Democratic nomination." In January 2003, the story was listed as "Recent announcements by prominent Democrats about plans to run for president in 2004." In September 2000, Early September and July 1996, and May 1992, the question asked about "the presidential election campaign." In January, March and April 1996, the story was listed as "News about the Republican presidential candidates." In August 1992, the story was listed as "News about the presidential election." In July 1992, the story was listed as "News about the presidential campaign." In January 1992, the story was listed as "News about the Democratic candidates for the presidential nomination." In 1988, the story was introduced as being from "this past year" and was listed as "News about the presidential campaign in 1988."

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PEW.1F BASED ON MAR 11-13, 2011 ONLY:	<u>closely</u>	<u>closely</u>	<u>closely</u>	<u>closely</u>	DK/Ref
f. A major earthquake and tsunami off the					
coast of Japan ⁴	F.0	20	10	7	*
March 11-13, 2011	52	29	12	7	^
TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:					
February 24-27, 2011: A major earthquake		0.0	0.4	00	
in New Zealand	20	30	26	23	1
October 28-November 1, 2010: A tsunami		0.5	07	0.4	
and a volcano erupting in Indonesia	11	25	27	36	1
March 12-15, 2010: Major aftershocks in					
Chile following an earthquake in late	4.0	4.4	07	4.4	*
February	18	41	27	14	*
March 5-8, 2010: A major earthquake in					
Chile	27	42	19	12	*
February 19-22, 2010: Haiti releasing most					
of the Americans who were accused of					
attempted kidnapping	16	30	29	23	*
February 12-15, 2010: The aftermath of a					
major earthquake and relief efforts in Haiti	37	37	17	8	*
February 5-8, 2010	42	39	13	6	*
January 29-February 1, 2010	45	38	13	4	*
January 22-25, 2010	50	40	8	3	*
January 15-18, 2010: A major earthquake					
in Haiti	60	28	8	4	*
August 14-17, 2009: A typhoon that					
caused flooding and mudslides in Taiwan	7	21	30	41	1
April 9-13, 2009: A major earthquake in					
Italy	18	35	25	22	*
May 16-19, 2008: The earthquake in China	30	41	17	12	*
May 9-12, 2008: Reports about the cyclone					
that hit Burma	23	35	23	19	*
November 2-5, 2007: The impact of					
Hurricane Noel on the Bahamas and Cuba	11	22	31	35	1
September 7-10, 2007: The impact of					
Hurricanes Felix and Henriette on Mexico					
and Central America	14	29	29	27	1
August 24-27, 2007: The destruction					
caused by Hurricane Dean in Mexico and					
the Caribbean	18	39	24	18	1
October, 2005: The earthquake in Pakistan	22	39	23	16	*
January 2005: The earthquake and tsunami					
in the Indian Ocean	58	32	7	3	*
January 2004: <i>The earthquake in Iran</i>	16	34	31	19	*
February 2001: The earthquake in India	15	33	31	20	1
March 2000: Flood rescue efforts in					
Mozambique	10	26	30	34	*
September 1999: The earthquake in					
Turkey	27	37	23	12	1
November 1998: Hurricane Mitch and the					
rain and mudslides in Central America	36	36	16	11	1
February 1995: The earthquake in Japan	25	47	20	8	*
May 1991: The cyclone that devastated					
Bangladesh	23	36	23	17	1
July 1990: <i>The earthquake in Iran</i>	20	36	28	16	*

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This item was added to polling on the second day of the field period. Data were collected March 11-13, 2011. N=671.

ASK ALL:

PEW.2 Which ONE of the stories I just mentioned have you followed most closely, or is there another story you've been following MORE closely? [DO NOT READ LIST. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE.]

BASED ON INTERVIEWS CONDUCTED MARCH 11-13, 2011 ONLY:

Mar 11-13	
<u>2011⁵</u>	
46	A major earthquake and tsunami off the coast of Japan
	Disputes in Wisconsin and other states between state governments and public employee
17	unions
12	Reports about the condition of the U.S. economy
11	Growing violence in Libya
3	News about possible candidates for the 2012 presidential elections
1	Congressional hearings on possible support for terrorism among Muslim Americans
6	Some other story (VOL.)
5	Don't know/Refused (VOL.)

ASK ALL:

PEW.3 How much if anything, have you heard about each of the following? Have you heard a lot, a little or nothing at all? [INSERT ITEM; RANDOMIZE ITEMS a AND b, WITH ITEM c ALWAYS LAST]

	The state of the s	A lot	A little	Nothing <u>at all</u>	(VOL.) DK/Ref
8	 The resignation of NPR executives because of a hidden video by conservative activists March 10-13, 2011 	16	30	53	1
k	o. President Obama's decision to allow military trials of detainees at Guantanamo Bay March 10-13, 2011 TREND FOR COMPARISON: January 30-February 2, 2009: Barack Obama's executive order to close Guantanamo Bay prison within	16	47	37	1
	a year June 2005: Reported mistreatment of prisoners held by	57	27	15	1
C	the U.S. as Guantanamo Bay The possibility that the NFL football season will be delayed or cancelled over a labor dispute	49	40	10	1
	March 10-13, 2011	20	37	42	1

PEW.4 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

PEW.5 THROUGH PEW.8 HELD FOR FUTURE RELEASE

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The item regarding the earthquake and tsunami was added on the second day of polling, replacing another item. These results reflect polling conducted March 11-13, 2011. N=671.