

Interviews: 1000 adults, including 200 reached by cell phone

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48 Male
52 Female

Please note: all results are shown as percentages unless otherwise stated.

The margin of error for 1000 interviews is $\pm 3.10\%$

Unless otherwise noted by a "+", all previous data shown reflects responses among all adults.

(ASK ONLY OF SAMPLE TYPE 2--CELL PHONE ONLY RESPONDENTS.)

Q1 Do you have a landline in addition to your cell phone, or is your cell phone the only telephone you have?

Have a landline	-	TERMINATE
Cell phone is only telephone.....	100	CONTINUE
Not sure	-	TERMINATE

Q2a For statistical purposes only, would you please tell me how old you are? **(IF "REFUSED," ASK:) Well, would you tell me which age group you belong to? (READ LIST.)**

18-24	10
25-29	8
30-34	9
35-39	7
40-44	12
45-49	7
50-54	10
55-59	11
60-64	11
65-69	5
70-74	4
75 and over.....	6
Not sure/refused	-

Q2b To ensure that we have a representative sample, would you please tell me whether you are from a Hispanic or Spanish-speaking background?

Yes, Hispanic.....	11
No, not Hispanic	88
Not sure/refused	1

Q2c And again, for statistical purposes only, what is your race--white, black, Asian, or something else?

White	76
Black	11
Asian	2
Other	3
Hispanic (VOL).....	6
Not sure/refused.....	2

Q3 All in all, do you think that things in the nation are generally headed in the right direction, or do you feel that things are off on the wrong track?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>10/28-30/10+</u>	<u>10/14-18/10+</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>10/17-20/08+</u>
Headed in the right direction.....	28	31	35	28	32	31	32	32	72	12
Off on the wrong track	63	60	56	63	58	60	59	59	11	78
Mixed (VOL)	6	6	5	6	6	5	6	5	11	7
Not sure	3	3	4	3	4	4	3	4	6	3

	<u>8/26-30/10</u>	<u>8/5-9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>5/6-11/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/23-25/10</u>	<u>1/10-14/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>
	30	32	29	34	33	32	34	33	36
	61	58	62	56	59	58	54	55	52
	6	6	5	6	5	7	10	10	9
	3	4	4	4	3	3	2	2	3

	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>	<u>1/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>	<u>10/17-20/08+</u>	<u>10/4-5/08+</u>	<u>9/19-22/08+</u>
	39	39	42	43	41	26	26	12	12	16
	48	49	46	43	44	59	60	78	77	73
	10	9	9	10	9	9	10	7	9	9
	3	3	3	4	6	6	4	3	2	2

	<u>8/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>4/08+</u>	<u>3/7-10/08+</u>	<u>1/08+</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>9/06+</u>	<u>1/06</u>
	18	13	16	15	20	20	25	28	31	31
	67	74	71	73	66	68	63	57	54	57
	12	10	11	10	11	9	9	13	12	10
	3	3	2	2	3	3	3	2	3	2

	<u>9/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>9/01</u>	<u>12/99</u>
	32	40	39	47	38	36	42	62	72	49
	57	47	49	43	50	47	43	20	11	34
	8	10	10	6	8	14	12	14	11	15
	3	3	2	4	4	3	3	4	6	2

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Q4a In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing as president?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>10/28-30/10+</u>	<u>10/14-18/10+</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<i>High</i> <u>4/09</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>10/28-30/10+</u>
Approve	49	48	53	45	47	45	47	46	61	45
Disapprove	45	46	41	48	47	50	49	49	30	50
Not sure.....	6	6	6	7	6	5	4	5	9	5

	<u>8/26-30/10</u>	<u>8/5-9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>5/20-23/10</u>	<u>5/6-11/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/23-25/10</u>	<u>1/10-14/10</u>
	45	47	45	48	50	48	50	48
	49	48	48	45	44	47	44	43
	6	5	7	7	6	5	6	9

	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>8/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>
	47	51	51	51	53	56	61	60
	46	42	41	40	40	34	30	26
	7	7	8	9	7	10	9	14

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Q4b Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing in handling the economy?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>10/14- 18/10+</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>8/26- 30/10</u>	<i>High</i> <u>2/09</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>8/26- 30/10</u>
Approve	45	46	45	42	42	43	42	39	56	39
Disapprove	52	49	50	54	54	53	54	56	31	56
Not sure	3	5	5	4	4	4	4	5	13	5

	<u>8/5- 9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>5/6- 11/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/23- 25/10</u>	<u>1/10- 14/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>
	44	46	48	47	47	43	42
	52	50	46	50	49	49	51
	4	4	6	3	4	8	7

	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>
	47	50	49	51	55	56
	46	42	44	38	37	31
	7	8	7	11	8	13

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Q4c Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job that Barack Obama is doing in handling foreign policy?

	<u>4/11*</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>1/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>
Approve	49	48	50	49	51	50	57	54	56
Disapprove	46	44	37	42	39	36	33	36	31
Not sure	5	8	13	9	10	14	10	10	13

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q4d Do you generally approve or disapprove of the job Barack Obama is doing in handling the war in Afghanistan?

	<u>4/11**</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>8/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>
Approve	46	49	48	44	53	46
Disapprove	45	38	41	45	35	42
Not sure	9	13	11	11	12	12

**Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q5 In general, do you approve or disapprove of the job that Congress is doing?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>8/26- 30/10</u>	<u>8/5- 9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>5/6- 11/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/10- 14/10</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/98</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>10/17- 20/08+</u>
Approve	20	22	20	21	21	22	21	17	21	61	12
Disapprove.....	73	69	73	71	72	73	72	77	67	28	79
Not sure	7	9	7	8	7	5	7	6	12	11	9
		<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>	<u>1/09</u>		
		22	24	22	24	29	28	31	23		
		68	65	66	63	57	58	54	68		
		10	11	12	13	14	14	15	9		
		<u>12/08</u>	<u>10/17- 20/08+</u>	<u>10/4- 5/08+</u>	<u>9/19- 22/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>1/08</u>	<u>9/07</u>		
		21	12	13	15	15	13	18	23		
		69	79	78	73	75	79	70	65		
		10	9	9	12	10	8	12	12		
		<u>3/07</u>	<u>9/06+</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>9/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>6/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>1/03</u>	
		31	20	29	29	41	40	46	39	42	
		53	65	56	53	40	42	41	45	39	
		16	15	15	18	19	18	13	16	19	
		<u>9/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>6/01</u>	<u>1/01</u>	<u>9/00+</u>	<u>1/00</u>	<u>9/99</u>	<u>12/98</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>1/94</u>
		40	54	47	48	46	48	40	44	26	33
		44	29	34	35	41	36	49	42	65	54
		16	17	19	17	13	16	11	14	9	13

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Q6 Now I'm going to read you the names of several public figures, groups, and organizations and I'd like you to rate your feelings toward each one as very positive, somewhat positive, neutral, somewhat negative, or very negative. If you don't know the name, please just say so. (RANDOMIZE EXCEPT BARACK OBAMA)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>
Barack Obama						
April 2011	28	22	14	13	23	-
February 2011	28	21	15	15	20	1
January 2011	29	23	15	14	18	1
December 2010	25	23	14	14	24	-
November 2010	28	21	12	13	26	-
October 28-30, 2010+	29	18	12	15	27	-
October 14-18, 2010+	29	19	9	17	26	-
September 2010	29	18	12	14	27	-
August 26-30, 2010	26	20	12	14	27	1
August 5-9, 2010	27	19	13	14	27	-
June 2010	27	20	13	15	25	-
May 20-23, 2010	28	19	15	14	24	-
May 6-11, 2010	29	20	12	14	24	1
March 2010	31	19	11	14	24	1
January 23-25, 2010	29	23	14	14	20	-
January 10-14, 2010	29	23	12	16	19	1
December 2009	29	21	13	15	22	-
October 2009	36	20	11	12	21	-
September 2009	38	18	11	14	19	-
July 2009	37	18	10	14	20	1
June 2009	41	19	11	12	17	-
April 2009	45	19	12	10	13	1
February 2009	47	21	12	9	10	1
January 2009	43	23	17	8	6	3
December 2008	45	22	15	8	8	2
October 17-20, 2008+	37	19	10	10	23	1
October 4-5, 2008+	30	22	12	12	23	1
September 19-22, 2008+	29	19	15	14	22	1
September 6-8, 2008+	33	20	13	12	20	2
August 2008+	28	22	13	17	19	1
July 2008+	27	21	16	11	23	2
June 2008+	25	23	17	11	22	2
April 2008+	23	23	16	17	20	1
March 2008+	24	25	18	16	16	1
January 2008	19	30	22	11	14	4
December 2007	17	29	22	14	12	6
November 2007	15	28	24	12	12	9
September 2007	15	27	23	13	12	10
July 2007	16	26	24	12	10	12
April 2007	19	26	25	8	6	16
March 2007	18	19	26	11	6	20

Barack Obama						
<i>High</i>						
February 2009	47	21	12	9	10	1
<i>Presidential Term Low</i>						
August 26-30, 2010	26	20	12	14	27	1
<i>All-time Obama Low</i>						
October 28-30, 2006+	14	17	18	5	6	40
NBC-WSJ All-time Presidential Tracking High/Low within Presidential Term						
<i>High</i>						
<i>March 1991</i>						
(George H.W. Bush)	50	30	9	6	4	1
<i>Low</i>						
<i>October 17-20, 2008+</i>						
(George W. Bush)	11	18	11	15	45	-

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>
The Democratic Party						
April 2011.....	12	26	22	18	21	1
January 2011.....	15	24	25	19	16	1
December 2010.....	9	28	20	18	23	2
November 2010.....	14	26	18	18	23	1
October 28-30, 2010+.....	16	23	17	19	23	2
October 14-18, 2010+.....	14	24	16	19	26	1
September 2010.....	15	22	20	20	22	1
August 26-30, 2010.....	11	25	19	19	24	2
August 5-9, 2010.....	11	22	22	18	26	1
June 2010.....	11	24	21	20	24	-
May 20-23, 2010.....	15	26	18	18	22	1
May 6-11, 2010.....	11	26	19	18	24	2
March 2010.....	9	28	19	19	24	1
January 23-25, 2010.....	14	25	22	17	21	1
January 10-14, 2010.....	11	27	20	18	23	1
December 2009.....	10	25	19	19	26	1
October 2009.....	14	28	20	14	22	2
September 2009.....	14	27	18	17	22	2
July 2009.....	13	29	19	17	20	2
June 2009.....	19	26	16	16	21	2
April 2009.....	17	28	19	15	19	2
February 2009.....	20	29	18	14	17	2
December 2008.....	17	32	22	15	13	1
October 17-20, 2008+.....	16	23	22	17	21	1
October 4-5, 2008+.....	15	26	20	18	19	2
September 19-22, 2008+.....	19	23	20	16	20	2
September 6-8, 2008+.....	24	25	17	19	14	1
August 2008+.....	17	26	21	16	19	1
July 2008+.....	15	28	18	18	19	2
June 2008+.....	16	27	24	13	19	1
April 2008+.....	17	27	22	15	17	2
March 7-10, 2008+.....	20	25	18	16	19	2
January 2008.....	22	25	19	18	15	1
November 2007.....	12	27	24	18	17	2
September 2007.....	8	26	27	22	16	1
July 2007.....	15	27	21	20	15	2
January 2007.....	13	29	26	16	14	2
October 28-30, 2006+.....	14	25	25	18	17	1
July 2006.....	7	25	27	22	17	2
January 2006.....	11	25	28	20	15	1
May 2005.....	12	26	26	20	14	2
February 2005.....	14	28	28	16	13	1
October 2004+.....	17	25	22	16	19	1
January 2002.....	16	33	23	15	11	2
January 1998.....	13	30	30	16	9	2
January 1994.....	11	29	29	17	11	3
<i>High</i>						
January 2000.....	20	30	23	15	10	2
<i>Low</i>						
July 2006.....	7	25	27	22	17	2

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>
The Republican Party						
April 2011	7	24	24	22	22	1
January 2011.....	7	27	24	21	19	2
December 2010.....	11	27	23	17	20	2
November 2010.....	11	23	24	20	19	3
October 28-30, 2010+	12	22	24	18	23	1
October 14-18, 2010+	8	23	25	19	23	2
September 2010.....	8	23	25	21	22	1
August 26-30, 2010.....	7	23	25	22	21	2
August 5-9, 2010.....	6	18	28	24	22	2
June 2010	6	24	26	23	19	2
May 20-23, 2010	10	23	26	21	19	1
May 6-11, 2010	8	22	26	22	20	2
March 2010	6	25	24	20	23	2
January 23-25, 2010	7	25	27	18	20	3
January 10-14, 2010	7	23	27	24	18	1
December 2009.....	5	23	27	24	19	2
October 2009.....	6	19	27	23	23	2
September 2009.....	5	23	27	22	21	2
July 2009.....	9	19	29	21	20	2
June 2009	6	19	29	23	21	2
April 2009.....	7	22	25	22	22	2
February 2009.....	7	19	24	25	22	3
December 2008.....	7	20	20	26	26	1
October 17-20, 2008+	11	21	18	23	25	2
October 4-5, 2008+	12	23	17	21	26	1
September 19-22, 2008+.....	13	21	18	19	28	1
September 6-8, 2008+.....	18	22	15	18	25	2
August 2008+	10	25	22	19	23	1
July 2008+	8	23	20	22	26	1
June 2008+	7	21	24	22	25	1
April 2008+	8	19	23	22	26	2
March 7-10, 2008+	10	24	15	21	28	2
January 2008.....	13	21	26	19	18	3
November 2007.....	8	24	24	20	22	2
September 2007.....	8	23	20	27	20	2
July 2007.....	8	25	19	23	23	2
January 2007.....	10	23	21	23	21	2
Oct 28-30, 2006+	15	20	16	20	28	1
July 2006.....	11	22	18	21	25	3
January 2006.....	13	24	20	20	22	1
May 2005	13	27	17	19	22	2
February 2005.....	17	27	19	18	18	1
October 2004+	20	24	18	15	22	1
January 2002.....	20	32	24	12	9	3
January 1998.....	9	29	30	18	12	2
January 1994.....	12	30	29	16	9	4
<i>High</i>						
December 2001.....	21	36	18	13	9	3
<i>Low</i>						
August 5-9, 2010.....	6	18	28	24	22	2

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	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>
The Tea Party Movement						
April 2011	13	16	20	14	30	7
January 2011	13	16	22	14	24	11
December 2010	15	18	20	14	23	10
November 2010	14	16	21	13	25	11
October 28-30, 2010+	14	18	18	12	28	10
October 14-18, 2010+	14	16	20	11	27	12
September 2010	15	15	21	13	23	13
August 26-30, 2010	12	16	19	12	24	17
August 5-9, 2010	14	16	23	12	22	13
June 2010	15	19	21	12	19	14
May 6-11, 2010	16	15	21	10	20	18
March 2010	13	16	22	10	18	21
January 23-25, 2010	14	14	20	6	15	31
Hillary Clinton						
April 2011*	29	27	21	11	11	1
December 2010	26	28	18	11	16	1
January 10-14, 2010	25	27	22	13	12	1
July 2009	26	27	15	15	16	1
January 2009	27	29	14	15	14	1
December 2008	27	26	20	14	12	1
September 2008+	23	24	15	17	20	1
August 2008+	17	25	16	18	23	1
June 2008+	18	28	14	17	22	1
April 2008+	20	22	14	19	25	-
March 24-25, 2008+	17	20	15	21	27	-
March 7-10, 2008+	22	23	11	14	29	1
January 2008	24	23	11	11	30	1
June 2007	18	24	15	16	26	1
March 2007	16	23	17	15	28	1
December 2006	21	22	17	12	26	2
April 2006	19	19	19	13	28	2
December 2004	24	21	14	11	29	1
July 2003	16	21	20	13	27	3
January 2001	27	22	13	12	24	2
<i>High</i>						
January 1999	35	23	16	11	14	1
<i>Low</i>						
March 2001	16	19	15	18	31	1
Muammar Gaddafi						
April 2011*	-	2	8	8	68	14
Michele Bachmann						
April 2011*	5	9	18	3	14	51

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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	<u>Very Positive</u>	<u>Somewhat Positive</u>	<u>Neutral</u>	<u>Somewhat Negative</u>	<u>Very Negative</u>	<u>Don't Know Name/ Not Sure</u>
Robert Gates						
April 2011**.....	11	20	27	9	5	28
January 2010	9	17	27	7	4	36
December 2008	8	23	29	6	2	32
Hamid Karzai						
April 2011**.....	1	3	17	12	14	53
Newt Gingrich						
April 2011**.....	6	18	24	15	22	15
September 2010	9	15	27	16	19	14
December 2006	9	17	23	15	20	16
June 2006.....	6	12	29	13	20	20
October 1998+.....	8	19	24	19	27	3
September 1998	9	24	25	18	20	4
July 1998	7	18	28	18	23	6
June 1998.....	7	18	27	21	23	4
April 1998	5	18	28	20	23	6
February 1998	6	20	31	18	19	6
January 1998.....	6	17	26	21	25	5
December 1997	7	17	24	18	29	5
Sarah Palin						
April 2011**.....	9	16	18	12	41	4
December 2010	13	15	20	16	34	2
September 2010	14	16	19	15	33	3
June 2010.....	13	16	24	12	31	4
March 2010.....	12	18	21	13	32	4
December 2009	14	18	23	14	26	5
October 2009.....	11	16	22	15	31	5
July 2009	14	18	20	16	27	5
April 2009	14	18	24	11	27	6
December 2008	15	20	16	15	30	4
October 17-20, 2008+.....	23	15	13	13	34	2
October 4-5, 2008+.....	26	18	15	15	22	4
September 19-22, 2008+	26	16	17	12	24	5
September 6-8, 2008+.....	30	17	17	10	17	9

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** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

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SUMMARY TABLE OF IMAGES – BY D/S (POSITIVE – NEGATIVE)

	TOTAL POSITIVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	D/S
Hillary Clinton	56	22	34
Robert Gates	31	14	17
Barack Obama	50	36	14
The Democratic Party	38	39	-1
Michele Bachmann	14	17	-3
The Republican Party	31	44	-13
Newt Gingrich	24	37	-13
The Tea Party Movement	29	44	-15
Hamid Karzai	4	26	-22
Sarah Palin	25	53	-28
Muammar Gaddafi	2	76	-74

Now, thinking about something else...

Q7 Here are a series of events that have occurred recently. For each one please tell me whether you see this as an isolated event that is happening at this time or part of a larger change that will continue for some time to come?

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	<u>Isolated/ happening at this time</u>	<u>Larger change/ continue</u>	<u>Depends</u>	<u>Not sure</u>
Unrest in Arab countries and the Middle East				
April 2011	9	89	-	2
Rising gasoline prices				
April 2011	16	83	-	1
Reduction of services provided by state and local government				
April 2011	17	80	-	3
Increases in marijuana use among teens				
April 2011**	20	70	1	9
State and local governments attempting to reduce the collective bargaining rights and pay of unionized public employees				
April 2011*	26	67	1	6
The unemployment rate above eight percent				
April 2011	31	66	1	2
Increases in teenage pregnancy				
April 2011*	27	62	2	9
Severe weather and geological events such as the recent earthquake and tsunami in Japan				
April 2011**	35	61	-	4
Declining housing prices				
April 2011	42	54	-	4

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**Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

And, thinking about the next Presidential election...

Q8 If President Obama runs for re-election in the year 2012, do you think you will probably vote for President Obama or probably vote for the Republican candidate?

	<u>4/11+</u>	<u>2/11+</u>
Probably vote for President Obama	43	45
Probably vote for Republican candidate	38	40
Vote for other party (VOL)	3	3
Depends/Depends on who opponent is (VOL)	11	9
Not sure	5	3

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Now, switching topics...

Q9 Would you describe Barack Obama as liberal, moderate, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) And would you say Barack Obama is very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>1/10</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>1/09</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>3/08</u>
Very liberal.....	30	27	33	37	36	27	33	35	30
Somewhat liberal	20	18	22	20	23	22	23	23	25
Moderate	38	40	30	33	30	37	29	24	24
Somewhat conservative	6	8	6	2	4	3	5	6	5
Very conservative	3	3	3	2	3	4	3	3	3
Not sure	3	4	6	6	4	7	7	9	13

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Q10 In general, do you think that Barack Obama should focus more of his attention on domestic issues or more of his attention on foreign policy issues?

	<u>Barack Obama</u>		<u>George W. Bush</u>
	<u>4/11*</u>	<u>1/09</u>	<u>1/07</u>
Domestic issues	80	66	41
Foreign policy issues	8	12	37
Both equally (VOL)	9	19	19
Not sure	3	3	3

*Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

Q11 For each of the following issues, please tell me if you think Barack Obama is giving too much attention to this issue, too little attention to this issue, or the right amount of attention to this issue. (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY TOO LITTLE ATTENTION

	<u>Too much attention</u>	<u>Too little attention</u>	<u>Right amount of attention</u>	<u>Not sure</u>
The federal budget deficit				
April 2011	6	63	29	2
The economy				
April 2011	5	61	34	-
January 23-25, 2010	5	51	42	2
Climate change and global warming				
April 2011**	22	35	39	4
January 23-25, 2010	29	27	37	7
Health care				
April 2011*	35	35	29	1
January 23-25, 2010	44	16	38	2
Afghanistan				
April 2011*	30	22	45	3
January 23-25, 2010	17	29	49	5
Events in Egypt, Libya, and the political unrest in Arab countries				
April 2011**	27	21	48	4

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**Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q12 When it comes to the effect of the Obama administration's policies in improving economic conditions, would you say they have had (ROTATE TOP-TO-BOTTOM, BOTTOM-TO-TOP) – a very positive effect, a somewhat positive effect, a somewhat negative effect, or a very negative effect, -- or has it been a mix of some positive, some negative?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>10/14-18/10+</u>
Very positive effect	6	5	6
Somewhat positive effect.....	15	18	20
Somewhat negative effect	11	12	12
Very negative effect.....	18	15	21
Some positive/some negative.....	49	49	40
Not sure	1	1	1

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Q13 Let me read you a number of decisions that President Obama and his administration have made in the past few months. For each tell me if you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove, or strongly disapprove. (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY STRONGLY OR SOMEWHAT APPROVE

	<u>Strongly approve</u>	<u>Somewhat approve</u>	<u>Somewhat disapprove</u>	<u>Strongly disapprove</u>	Not sure
Allowing drilling for oil to begin again off the U.S. coast					
April 2011	43	28	11	16	2
Keeping open the prison at Guantanamo Bay for terrorist suspects					
April 2011	39	28	14	15	4
Supporting a no fly-zone in Libya with U.S. military support					
April 2011	31	35	13	17	4
Proposing a budget freeze on federal spending for domestic programs					
April 2011	25	33	20	17	5
Continuing the war in Afghanistan					
April 2011	10	29	26	32	3

Now, moving on...

Q14 When it comes to (READ ITEM) which party do you think would do a better job--the Democratic Party, the Republican Party, or both about the same? If you think that neither would do a good job, please just say so. (RANDOMIZE)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO GIVE THE ADVANTAGE TO THE DEMOCRATIC PARTY

	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure
Protecting the environment						
April 2011**	D-32	44	12	26	16	2
August 5-9, 2010	D-33	46	13	21	17	3
June 2006	D-37	49	12	22	13	4
November 2005	D-39	49	10	21	13	7
January 2004	D-33	51	18	20	9	3
December 13, 2003	D-34	54	20	15	7	5
June 2002	D-30	44	14	26	11	5
June 2001	D-37	52	15	21	7	5
December 1999	D-29	43	14	25	11	7
September 1998	D-33	45	12	30	9	4
May 1996	D-28	45	17	18	3	7
December 1995	D-32	45	13	20	13	9
October 1993	D-29	44	15	13	22	6
July 1992+	D-27	38	11	27	18	6
Dealing with health care						
April 2011*	D-17	42	25	14	18	1
October 14-18, 2010+	D-10	42	32	10	15	1
August 5-9, 2010+	D-10	40	30	12	16	2
March 2010	D-9	37	28	15	19	1
July 2009	D-17	40	23	15	19	3
July 2008+	D-31	49	18	12	16	5
January 2008	D-36	51	15	17	12	5
July 2007	D-36	49	13	14	21	3
March 2006	D-31	43	12	21	19	5
November 2005	D-26	43	17	17	18	5
December 2004	D-18	39	21	23	11	6
January 2004	D-26	48	22	18	10	2
December 13, 2003	D-18	43	25	14	13	6
October 2002+	D-25	46	21	19	11	3
June 2002	D-22	38	16	23	18	5
June 2001	D-21	41	20	21	12	6
December 1999	D-26	43	17	21	13	6
March 1999	D-24	42	18	23	12	5
October 1998+	D-20	41	21	26	8	4
September 1998	D-20	40	20	24	13	3
June 1998	D-13	25	12	34	23	6
May 1996	D-20	42	22	16	17	3
December 1995	D-21	43	22	13	16	6
October 1994	D-12	37	25	12	20	6
July 1994	D-16	37	21	18	18	6
May 1994	D-9	26	17	38	15	4
October 1993	D-28	44	16	16	18	6
March 1993	D-48	57	9	17	12	5
July 1992+	D-34	44	10	21	19	6
April 1992+	D-36	48	12	17	18	5
October 1991+	D-34	46	12	18	16	8
October 1991	D-23	39	16	24	12	9

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Q14 Cont'd	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure
Dealing with Medicare						
April 2011	D-13	35	22	19	22	2
June 2001.....	D-24	44	20	20	8	8
December 1999.....	D-24	42	18	21	12	7
March 1999	D-23	41	18	23	10	8
September 1997.....	D-18	34	16	25	20	5
October 1996.....	D-14	34	20	24	16	6
May 1996+	D-19	45	26	12	11	6
December 1995.....	D-20	44	24	13	13	6
June 1995.....	D-11	33	22	18	19	8
Dealing with energy policy						
April 2011*	D-10	34	24	24	16	2
August 5-9, 2010	D-16	36	20	22	17	5
July 2009*	D-12	35	23	22	15	5
July 2008+	D-20	42	22	15	15	6
January 2008	D-28	44	16	20	13	7
July 2007	D-24	41	17	20	15	7
November 2005	D-16	35	19	20	19	7
January 2004.....	D-11	37	25	22	10	6
December 13, 2003	D-11	36	25	15	11	12
June 2001.....	D-8	35	27	19	10	9
Dealing with Social Security						
April 2011	D-8	31	23	20	24	2
October 14-18, 2010+	D-9	36	27	14	19	4
August 5-9, 2010+.....	D-3	29	26	18	21	5
October 13-16, 2006+	D-28	48	20	18	10	4
September 8-11, 2006.....	D-23	42	19	17	16	6
November 2005.....	D-22	44	22	13	16	5
December 2004.....	D-15	38	23	20	13	6
January 2004.....	D-20	45	25	16	11	3
December 13, 2003.....	D-15	39	24	18	13	7
October 2002+.....	D-23	43	20	19	13	5
June 2002.....	D-15	36	21	26	12	5
June 2001.....	D-15	38	23	22	11	6
December 1999.....	D-15	38	23	18	14	7
March 1999	D-18	39	21	23	11	6
October 1998+.....	D-23	44	21	25	6	4
September 1998.....	D-16	37	21	25	13	4
July 1998.....	D-9	28	19	34	14	5
January 1998.....	D-11	26	15	34	18	7
September 1997.....	D-14	33	19	18	22	8
October 1996.....	D-12	36	24	17	15	8
December 1995.....	D-22	44	22	14	14	6
June 1995.....	D-9	35	26	16	15	8
November 1994.....	D-5	32	27	15	16	10
Changing how things work in Washington						
April 2011*.....	D-5	23	18	19	39	1
October 14-18, 2010+	D-4	27	23	16	31	3

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Q14 Cont'd	Party <u>Advantage</u>	Democratic <u>Party</u>	Republican <u>Party</u>	Both About <u>The Same</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>
Dealing with the economy						
April 2011	-	29	29	20	20	2
October 14-18, 2010+	R-1	35	36	14	14	1
August 5-9, 2010+	R-2	32	34	16	17	2
March 2010	-	31	31	18	18	2
July 2009	D-6	35	29	19	14	3
July 2008+	D-16	41	25	14	14	6
January 2008	D-18	43	25	21	8	3
July 2007	D-15	41	26	17	12	4
October 13-16, 2006+	D-13	43	30	17	7	3
September 2006+	D-12	40	28	17	10	5
March 2006	D-12	39	27	20	11	3
November 2005	D-14	39	25	17	14	5
December 2004	D-9	39	30	20	7	4
July 2004+	D-8	40	32	19	7	2
January 2004+	R-2	36	38	15	8	2
December 13, 2003	R-1	37	38	14	7	5
October 2002+	D-6	36	30	21	9	4
June 2002	D-1	32	31	24	9	4
June 2001	D-6	37	31	20	6	6
December 1999	D-3	34	31	24	7	4
March 1999	D-6	35	29	26	6	4
September 1998	-	31	31	29	6	3
September 1997	R-9	25	34	26	9	6
October 1996	D-4	36	32	15	10	7
May 1996+	R-4	26	30	27	14	3
December 1995	R-8	22	30	27	17	4
June 1995	R-12	17	29	29	23	2
October 1994	R-8	22	30	28	16	4
July 1994	R-11	18	29	32	17	4
June 1994	R-5	21	26	39	12	2
October 1993	R-5	22	27	20	28	3
March 1993	D-16	34	18	34	11	3
July 1992+	D-8	26	18	35	18	3
May 1992	D-6	29	23	26	17	5
January 1992+	D-5	28	23	33	12	4
October 1991+	R-1	27	28	26	14	5
Getting the country out of a recession						
April 2011	R-2	28	30	19	22	1
October 14-18, 2010+	-	35	35	14	14	2
August 5-9, 2010+	D-4	34	30	16	19	1
July 2009	D-10	36	26	19	16	3
January 2008	D-16	41	25	22	8	4
March 1991	R-17	21	38	14	16	11
December 1990	-	33	33	7	17	10
October 1990	R-5	31	36	6	13	14

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Q14 Cont'd	Party Advantage	Democratic Party	Republican Party	Both About The Same	Neither	Not Sure
Dealing with taxes						
April 2011*	R-2	30	32	17	20	1
October 14-18, 2010+	R-6	31	37	13	15	4
August 5-9, 2010+	R-8	27	35	16	19	3
March 2010	R-11	25	36	19	18	2
July 2009	R-7	28	35	17	16	4
July 2008+	D-1	37	36	8	15	4
January 2008	D-5	36	31	17	12	4
July 2007	D-9	36	27	14	18	5
March 2006	D-9	35	26	21	15	3
November 2005	D-10	40	30	14	12	4
January 2004	R-2	35	37	16	10	2
December 13, 2003	R-3	34	37	12	9	9
October 2002+	R-5	31	36	17	11	5
June 2002	R-6	27	33	20	15	5
June 2001	R-8	28	36	20	11	5
December 1999	R-3	30	33	19	13	5
March 1999	R-6	29	35	20	12	4
September 1997	R-5	26	31	20	16	7
October 1998+	-	32	32	21	10	5
September 1998	R-6	29	35	22	11	3
October 1996	R-5	30	35	15	13	7
May 1996+	R-9	25	34	17	19	5
December 1995	R-8	26	34	14	20	6
June 1995	R-13	22	35	15	22	6
November 1994	R-13	23	36	16	17	8
October 1994	R-15	23	38	17	18	4
October 1993	R-11	23	34	16	23	4
Dealing with Afghanistan						
April 2011**	R-5	19	24	26	28	3
October 14-18, 2010+	D-1	29	28	19	18	6
August 5-9, 2010+	R-9	20	29	24	22	5
July 2009	R-6	24	30	22	16	8
Dealing with immigration						
April 2011**	R-7	25	32	18	23	2
October 14-18, 2010+	R-10	26	36	15	17	6
August 5-9, 2010+	R-5	27	32	15	22	4
May 20-23, 2010	-	23	23	27	23	4
July 2008+	-	27	27	15	21	10
January 2008	D-4	29	25	26	14	6
July 2007	D-10	29	19	19	26	7
October 13-16, 2006+	D-3	28	25	21	19	7
September 8-11, 2006+	D-2	24	22	21	22	11
November 2005	D-6	25	19	21	26	9

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Q14 Cont'd	Party <u>Advantage</u>	Democratic <u>Party</u>	Republican <u>Party</u>	Both About <u>The Same</u>	<u>Neither</u>	Not <u>Sure</u>
Promoting strong moral values						
April 2011**	R-11	20	31	23	24	2
October 14-18, 2010+	R-7	27	34	18	17	4
August 5-9, 2010+	R-10	23	33	20	21	3
May 20-23, 2010	R-10	24	34	19	19	4
July 2009	R-13	22	35	21	19	3
July 2008+	R-11	24	35	21	14	6
January 2008	R-9	24	33	28	11	4
July 2007	R-5	23	28	23	23	3
October 13-16, 2006+	R-13	20	33	19	24	4
November 2005	R-17	18	35	22	21	4
December 2004	R-21	21	42	22	12	3
January 2004	R-22	23	45	18	13	2
December 13, 2003	R-23	20	42	15	15	8
June 2001	R-22	18	40	23	16	3
Reducing the federal deficit						
April 2011	R-12	21	33	19	25	2
October 14-18, 2010+	R-6	28	34	13	21	4
August 5-9, 2010+	R-9	24	33	15	25	3
March 2010	R-6	24	30	18	25	3
July 2009	R-6	25	31	18	22	4
January 2008	D-22	42	20	17	15	6
July 2007	D-25	43	18	14	21	4
November 2005	D-19	38	19	15	22	6
January 2004	D-11	37	26	18	15	4
December 13, 2003	D-13	38	25	12	16	10
September 1997	R-8	23	31	22	18	6
October 1996	R-3	29	32	11	19	9
June 1995	R-21	16	37	17	26	4
October 1993	D-4	27	23	27	18	5
March 1993	D-23	39	16	23	18	4
April 1992+	D-1	20	19	18	37	6
October 1991+	R-5	24	29	16	24	7
October 1990+	R-2	25	27	19	23	6

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** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q15 Generally speaking, do you think of yourself as (ROTATE:) a Democrat, a Republican, an independent, or something else? (IF "DEMOCRAT" OR "REPUBLICAN," ASK:) Would you call yourself a strong (Democrat/Republican) or not a very strong (Democrat/Republican)? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "NOT VERY STRONG DEMOCRAT/REPUBLICAN.") (IF "INDEPENDENT," ASK:) Do you think of yourself as closer to the Republican Party, closer to the Democratic Party, or do you think of yourself as strictly independent? (IF "NOT SURE," CODE AS "STRICTLY INDEPENDENT.")

Strong Democrat	19
Not very strong Democrat	10
Independent/lean Democrat	9
Strictly Independent	19
Independent/lean Republican	12
Not very strong Republican	9
Strong Republican	11
Other (VOL)	11
Not sure	-

Q16 If there were a presidential primary election in your state, would you vote in the Republican primary, the Democratic primary, or would you wait to vote in the general election? +

Vote in the Republican primary	28
Vote in the Democratic primary	31
Wait until the general election	36
Neither/other (VOL)	2
Not sure	3
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters	

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY N=238)

Q17a Let me read you a list of people who might seek the 2012 Republican nomination for president. If you were voting today in the 2012 Republican primary for president, which **one** of the following candidates would you favor? (READ LIST. RANDOMIZE. IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean? (ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER.)+

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Mitt Romney	21
Mike Huckabee	17
Donald Trump	17
Newt Gingrich	11
Sarah Palin	10
Tim Pawlenty	6
Michele Bachmann	5
Rick Santorum	3
Haley Barbour	1
Other (VOL)	1
None (VOL)	4
Not sure	4

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY N=238)

Q17b Let me read you a slightly shorter list of people who might seek the 2012 Republican nomination for president. If you were voting today in the 2012 Republican primary for president, which **one** of the following candidates would you favor? (READ LIST. RANDOMIZE. IF "NOT SURE," ASK:) Well, which way do you lean? (ACCEPT ONLY ONE ANSWER.)+

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Mitt Romney	40
Newt Gingrich	20
Tim Pawlenty	12
Michele Bachmann	11
Haley Barbour	3
Other (VOL)	1
None (VOL)	6
Not sure	7

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

(ASKED ONLY OF THOSE WHO SAY THAT THEY WOULD VOTE IN THE REPUBLICAN PRIMARY N=238)

Q18 If you had to choose, which of these issues would be more important to you personally, as you think about how you might vote in the 2012 Republican primary for president? Is it the candidate's position on...(ROTATE)+

Issues like the right to life and protecting children from immoral influences in our culture	22
Issues like limiting the role of the federal government and reducing the national debt	70
Equally important (VOL)	6
Neither (VOL)	2
+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters	

Q19 NOT thinking about any specific candidates, I'm going to list several types of people who might run for president. For each one, please tell me whether that type of candidate is someone you would (a) be enthusiastic about, (b) be comfortable with, (c) have some reservations about, or (d) be very uncomfortable with.

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY ENTHUSIASTIC OR COMFORTABLE

	(A) <u>Enthusiastic</u>	(B) <u>Comfortable</u>	(C) <u>Have Some Reservations</u>	(D) <u>Very Uncomfortable</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
A woman					
April 2011**	23	62	10	3	2
January 2008	25	51	15	7	2
December 2006.....	21	59	8	8	4
An African American					
April 2011	15	69	9	4	3
January 2008	20	61	13	4	2
December 2006.....	15	68	8	4	5
A governor who has experience as a government executive and in state matters					
April 2011*	20	61	13	4	2
December 2006.....	14	60	18	5	3
A Catholic					
April 2011	11	66	14	6	3
A Hispanic					
April 2011	11	64	13	8	4
December 2006.....	12	61	14	9	4
A business executive					
April 2011**	14	54	19	12	1
A former Speaker of the House of Representatives					
April 2011**	6	51	24	16	3
An evangelical Christian					
April 2011	8	42	24	23	3
January 2008	11	40	25	20	4
December 2006.....	7	34	26	28	5
A Mormon					
April 2011	5	44	28	19	4
January 2008	6	41	29	21	3
December 2006.....	4	34	27	26	9
A person who has had multiple marriages					
April 2011*	-	46	30	20	4
A leader of the Tea Party Movement					
April 2011	6	29	25	36	4
A FOX News commentator					
April 2011*	6	25	30	38	1
A person who has had a career as a lobbyist					
April 2011**	2	14	34	48	2

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** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Now, thinking about something else...

Q20a Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party Movement?

	4/11+	2/11+	1/11+	12/10+	11/10+	10/28-30/10+	10/14-18/10+	9/10+
Yes	25	29	27	29	30	28	30	28
No	67	61	62	61	59	61	59	61
Depends (VOL)	3	3	3	3	4	3	2	3
Not sure	5	7	8	7	7	8	10	8

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

ASK ONLY RESPONDENTS WHO SUPPORT THE TEA PARTY (Q20a:1) AND ARE REPUBLICAN (Q15:5-7).

Q20b Which better describes you, (ROTATE:) a supporter of the Tea Party Movement or a Republican?

	4/11+	
	All Reg Voters	GOP and Tea Party Supporters
Supporter of the Tea Party Movement	9	52
Republican	8	43
Both (VOL)	1	3
Not sure	-	2
Not Republican and Tea Party Supporters.....	82	n/a

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

	2/11+		1/11+		12/10+	
	All Reg Voters	GOP and Tea Party Supporters	All Reg Voters	GOP and Tea Party Supporters	All Reg Voters	GOP and Tea Party Supporters
Supporter of the Tea Party Movement	9	46	8	46	10	49
Republican	9	47	9	48	9	49
Both (VOL)	-	2	-	1	-	2
Not sure	1	5	1	5	-	1
Not Republican and Tea Party Supporters.....	81	n/a	82	n/a	81	n/a

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

	11/10+		10/28-30/10+		10/14-18/10+	
	All Reg Voters	GOP and Tea Party Supporters	All Reg Voters	GOP and Tea Party Supporters	All Reg Voters	GOP and Tea Party Supporters
Supporter of the Tea Party Movement	8	40	9	46	10	45
Republican	11	51	8	44	10	46
Both (VOL)	1	5	1	8	1	6
Not sure	1	4	1	2	-	3
Not Republican and Tea Party Supporters...	79	n/a	81	n/a	79	n/a

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Q21 Recently, some Republican governors have proposed new legislation that would reduce the collective bargaining rights and pay of unionized state public employees. Do you favor or oppose this?

Favor 40
Oppose..... 54
Not sure..... 6

Now turning to the economy...

Q22 During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>11/10</u>	<u>10/14- 18/10+</u>	<u>9/10</u>	<u>8/26- 30/10</u>	<u>8/5- 9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>
Economy will get better	33	29	40	32	37	37	32	26	34	33
Economy will get worse	21	29	17	24	15	20	24	26	25	23
Economy will stay about the same ...	46	41	42	42	46	41	41	45	39	43
Not sure.....	-	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	2	1
			<u>5/6- 10/10</u>	<u>3/10</u>	<u>1/10- 14/10</u>	<u>10/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>6/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>
			40	41	41	42	47	44	46	38
			20	22	19	22	20	21	22	30
			38	36	38	33	30	32	29	30
			2	1	2	3	3	3	3	2
			<u>12/08</u>	<u>10/08+</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>4/08+</u>	<u>3/07</u>	<u>1/07</u>	<u>9- 10/06+</u>
			36	38	25	21	19	16	21	22
			28	20	43	49	45	31	16	22
			34	37	28	27	29	49	60	51
			2	5	4	3	7	4	3	5
			<u>6/06</u>	<u>4/06</u>	<u>3/06</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>12/05</u>	<u>5/05</u>	<u>1/05</u>	<u>10/04+</u>
			16	17	24	24	26	28	43	43
			39	44	27	30	34	30	17	10
			43	36	46	42	37	36	36	33
			2	3	3	4	3	6	4	14
	<u>9/04+</u>	<u>5/04+</u>	<u>3/04+</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>11/03</u>	<u>9/03</u>	<u>7/03</u>	<u>5/03+</u>	<u>1/03</u>	
	43	42	44	50	49	44	45	49	35	
	13	16	18	10	15	19	16	17	25	
	33	34	35	37	33	33	34	31	37	
	11	8	3	3	3	4	4	3	3	
	<u>12/02</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>9/02</u>	<u>7/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>	<u>4/01</u> ¹	<u>3/01</u>	<u>10/98+</u>	
	40	41	39	41	50	50	36	28	17	
	20	20	18	20	13	15	25	29	24	
	35	34	39	37	32	32	34	37	54	
	5	5	4	2	5	3	5	6	5	
	<u>9/98</u>	<u>4/97</u>	<u>1/96</u>	<u>7/95</u>	<u>4/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>	<u>10/94</u>	<u>9/94</u>	<u>6/94</u>	
	19	19	21	20	24	31	31	28	28	
	22	22	21	21	23	17	24	24	17	
	53	57	52	54	50	46	40	44	52	
	6	2	6	5	3	6	5	4	3	
	<u>5/94</u>	<u>3/94</u>	<u>1/94</u>	<u>10/93</u>	<u>9/93</u>	<u>7/93</u>	<u>6/93</u>	<u>4/93</u>	<u>3/93</u>	
	27	29	44	21	23	20	23	33	39	
	21	16	16	27	24	29	27	21	15	
	49	52	36	50	51	48	47	44	43	
	3	3	4	2	2	3	3	2	3	

¹ Prior to April 2001, the question was phrased, "Over the past year..."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

Q23 Just thinking about your own personal economic situation, do you feel that over the past twelve months things have gotten better, worse, or stayed about the same?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>9/30- 10/2/06+</u>	<u>7/06</u>	
Things have gotten better	21	24	22	[171]
Things have gotten worse	31	28	36	
Things have stayed about the same	48	48	41	
Not sure	-	-	1	

Q24 Thinking about the economic recession for just you and your immediate family---how much of an impact has it had on you and your family---using a scale of 1 to 10 with 10 meaning a tremendous amount, 5 meaning just some effect, and 1 meaning almost no effect, what number would you select. You may choose any number from one to ten. (IF "NOT SURE," RECORD AS "DK.")

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>9/10</u>
10, a tremendous amount.....	10	17
9.....	2	5
8.....	12	12
7.....	15	12
6.....	11	10
5, just some effect.....	24	20
4.....	8	5
3.....	9	6
2.....	3	5
1, almost no effect	7	8
Cannot rate.....	-	-

Now, thinking about the recent debate over the federal budget...

(ROTATE Q25A AND Q25B AMONG INDEPENDENTS)

(ASK ONLY OF DEMOCRATS AND INDEPENDENTS)

Q25a Do you want Democratic leaders in the House and Senate to make compromises to gain consensus on the current budget debate, or do you want them stick to their positions even if this means not being able to gain consensus on the budget?

	Total Democrats and Independents	Democrats	Independents
Make compromises.....	71	68	76
Stick to their positions.....	23	26	18
Depends (VOL).....	1	1	1
Neither (VOL).....	-	-	1
Not sure	5	5	4

DECEMBER 2010

Do you want Democratic leaders in the House and Senate to make compromises to gain consensus on legislation, or do you want them stick to their positions even if this means not being able to gain consensus on legislation?

	Total Democrats and Independents	Democrats	Independents
Make compromises.....	64	63	65
Stick to their positions.....	29	29	27
Depends (VOL).....	2	2	2
Neither (VOL).....	1	1	2
Not sure	4	5	4

(ASK ONLY OF REPUBLICANS AND INDEPENDENTS)

Q25b Do you want Republican leaders in the House and Senate to make compromises to gain consensus on current budget debate, or do you want them stick to their positions even if this means not being able to gain consensus on the budget?

	Total Republicans and Independents	Republicans	Independents
Make compromises.....	48	38	66
Stick to their positions.....	47	56	30
Depends (VOL).....	1	1	-
Neither (VOL).....	-	-	-
Not sure	4	5	4

DECEMBER 2010

Do you want Republican leaders in the House and Senate to make compromises to gain consensus on legislation, or do you want them stick to their positions even if this means not being able to gain consensus on legislation?

	Total Republicans and Independents	Republicans	Independents
Make compromises.....	53	47	64
Stick to their positions.....	38	47	23
Depends (VOL).....	3	2	3
Neither (VOL).....	-	-	1
Not sure	6	4	9

- Q26 Do you think the budget disagreement between President Obama and Democrats in Congress with Republicans in Congress will lead to a major shutdown of the federal government, or do you think they will reach an agreement in time to avoid a shutdown?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>	<u>10/95¹</u>	<u>9/95</u>
Disagreement will lead to a shutdown	19	25	13	15
Will reach agreement in time to avoid shutdown	76	71	79	77
Not sure	5	4	8	8

¹ In 1995, question read: "...disagreement between President Clinton and Congress..."

- Q27 And, if the budget disagreement should lead to a major shutdown of the federal government, in your view, who will be more to blame for this – (RANDOMIZE) President Obama, the Democrats in Congress or the Republicans in Congress?

President Obama	20
Democrats in Congress	20
Republicans in Congress	37
President and Democrats (VOL)	2
All (VOL)	17
Not sure.....	4

- Q28 Is there a particular type of budget cut that is so unacceptable to you personally that you would prefer to have a budget stalemate and federal government shutdown rather than make this cut, or is there no type of cut that you feel this way about, and you would prefer to make the necessary compromises to keep the federal government running?

There are cuts that are unacceptable/prefer to have shutdown.....	32
No cuts are unacceptable/prefer to keep government running	61
Not sure	7

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY THERE ARE CUTS THAT ARE UNACCEPTABLE, Q28:1. RESULTS ARE SHOWN AMONG ALL RESPONDENTS)

- Q29 What type of cut would you consider unacceptable? (THIS WAS AN OPEN ENDED QUESTION. MORE THAN ONE ANSWER WAS ACCEPTED.)

THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED

Education	9
Social Security	7
Medicare	5
Military/defense	4
Assistance to the poor	3
Health care.....	3
Medicaid.....	1
Pensions	1
Veterans.....	-
Foreign aide	-
Other	3
Any cut is unacceptable.....	1
Can't think of any/don't know.....	2

Q30a Do you favor or oppose a balanced budget amendment to the U.S. Constitution?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>1/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>
Favor.....	61	71	68
Oppose	28	16	19
Depends (VOL).....	2	4	3
Not sure	9	9	10

Q30b Would you favor or oppose a balanced budget amendment to the Constitution if that would require a twenty percent cut in spending on entitlement programs such as Medicare, Medicaid, and veterans benefits?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>1/95</u>	<u>12/94</u>
Favor.....	27	28	33
Oppose	69	65	61
Depends (VOL).....	1	3	3
Not sure	3	4	3

Now, talking a moment about something called the federal debt ceiling...

Q31 The federal debt ceiling acts as a check and limit on the country's overall liabilities, including the federal deficit and other debts. When the U.S. Treasury needs to issue debt above the ceiling, Congress needs to vote to raise the ceiling. Congress is again currently considering whether and how much to extend the debt ceiling. Do you think Congress should or should not raise the debt ceiling? If you don't know enough to have an opinion, please just say so.

Should raise debt ceiling	16
Should not raise debt ceiling	46
Don't know enough	38
Not sure	-

And, thinking some more about the debt ceiling...

Q32 Now, I'm going to read you two statements about the debt ceiling and please tell me which comes closer to your point of view. (ROTATE)

(Other/some) people say raise the debt ceiling because otherwise the government will be unable to pay the nation's bills, including making payments to people who participate in various government programs, government workers cannot be paid, and the government will default on its current debt payments.
...while....

(Some/other) people say do not raise the debt ceiling because doing so will make it harder to get the government's financial house in order, will increase the US debt that is held by other countries, and will increase the debt that will be passed on to the next generation.

Raise debt ceiling.....	32
Do not raise debt ceiling.....	62
Mixed/Some of both (VOL).....	1
Not sure	5

Thinking more about Medicare, the federal government health care program for seniors...

Q33 Do you feel that Medicare needs a complete overhaul, that it needs major changes, that it needs minor modifications, or do you think it is pretty much okay the way it is?

Complete overhaul.....	16
Major changes	28
Minor modifications	38
Pretty much OK the way it is	15
Not sure	3

HEALTH CARE - APRIL 2009

Do you think the American health care system needs a complete overhaul, major reform, minor reform, or is there no need for change?

Complete overhaul.....	33
Major reform	37
Minor reform	21
No need for change	7
Not sure	2

SOCIAL SECURITY - JANUARY 2005

Do you feel that the Social Security system needs a complete overhaul, that it needs major changes, that it needs minor modifications, or do you think it is pretty much okay the way it is?

Complete overhaul.....	13
Major changes	31
Minor modifications	43
Pretty much OK the way it is	11
Not sure	2

Q34a There is currently a proposal to change how Medicare would work so seniors being enrolled in the program ten years from now would be given a guaranteed payment called a voucher from the federal government to purchase a Medicare approved coverage plan from a private health insurance company. Do you think this is a good idea, a bad idea, or do you not know enough about this to have an opinion at this time?

Good idea	21
Bad idea	22
No opinion	56
Not sure	1

HEALTH CARE - APRIL 2009

From what you have heard about Barack Obama's health care plan, do you think his plan is a good idea or a bad idea? If you do not have an opinion either way, please just say so.

Good idea.....	33
Bad idea	26
Do not have an opinion.....	34
Not sure.....	7

SOCIAL SECURITY - JANUARY 2005

In general, do you think that it is a good idea or a bad idea to change the Social Security system to allow workers to invest their Social Security contributions in the stock market?

	<u>1/05</u>	<u>12/04</u>
Good idea.....	40	38
Bad idea	50	50
Not sure.....	10	12

Now, thinking some more about this...

Q34b Which of the following statements do you agree with more? (ROTATE)

SUPPORTERS of this proposal say the current Medicare system is financially unsustainable and this proposal will give seniors more health care choices while reducing costs by promoting greater competition in the health care system.

...or...

OPPONENTS of this proposal say the current Medicare system provides health insurance to seniors with much lower administrative costs and this proposal will result in less coverage and more out of pocket costs for seniors.

Supporters	48
Opponents	35
Mixed/Some of both (VOL)	2
Not sure	15

Thinking about issues overseas...
(ROTATE LIBYA AND AFGHANISTAN QUESTIONS AS BLOCKS)

First, the situation in Afghanistan...

Q35 Thinking of the situation in Afghanistan over the past three months, do you think the situation there has gotten better, gotten worse, or stayed about the same?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>1/11</u>	<u>3/10*</u>
Gotten better	13	12	25
Gotten worse.....	17	18	22
Stayed about the same	67	64	50
Not sure	3	6	3

Q36a Do you think the war in Afghanistan against the Taliban and Al Qaeda has been very successful, somewhat successful, somewhat unsuccessful, or very unsuccessful?

	<u>4/11*</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>10/06</u>
Very successful	3	2	8	7	9
Somewhat successful	54	37	38	37	42
Somewhat unsuccessful	27	29	26	27	23
Very unsuccessful	15	27	23	26	24
Not sure	1	5	5	3	2

* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).

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Q36b Do you feel more confident or less confident that the war in Afghanistan will come to a successful conclusion?

	<u>4/11**</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>
More confident.....	31	30	28
Less confident	60	58	59
Depends (VOL)	2	5	6
Not sure.....	7	7	7

** Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM B).

Q37 President Obama has pledged to start reducing American troop levels in Afghanistan this year, but a recent plan by the U.S. and its NATO allies see some combat troops remaining there until 2014. Do you strongly approve, somewhat approve, somewhat disapprove or strongly disapprove of leaving some American troops in Afghanistan until 2014?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>
Strongly approve.....	15	19
Somewhat approve.....	37	34
Somewhat disapprove	19	16
Strongly disapprove.....	27	29
Not sure	2	2

Next, the situation in Libya...

Q38 Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling the situation in Libya?

	<u>4/11</u>	<u>2/11</u>
Approve	54	48
Disapprove.....	40	26
Not sure	6	26

Q39 Looking at how things stand in Libya today, do you feel that the decision for American forces to engage in military action was the right decision or do you feel it was the wrong decision?

Right decision	52
Wrong decision	41
Not sure	7

Q40-Q41 held for later release

And, thinking about you...

Q42 From which ONE of the following television news sources do you get MOST of your information about politics and current events? If you do not watch any of these, please just say so. (READ LIST. ACCEPT ONLY ONE RESPONSE.)

Broadcast network news, such as NBC, ABC, or CBS.....	37
The cable channel CNN	16
The cable channel MSNBC	8
The cable channel Fox News	23
None of these (VOL)	14
Not sure.....	2

FACTUALS: Now I am going to ask you a few questions for statistical purposes only.

QF1a Are you currently registered to vote at this address?

Registered	84
Not registered	16
Not sure	-

F1b/c A lot of people are unable to get out and vote for many reasons. Did you happen to vote in last November's election for president? (IF "YES," ASK:) For whom did you vote—Barack Obama, John McCain, or someone else?

Yes, Voted	
Voted for Barack Obama	40
Voted for John McCain	31
Voted for someone else	6
Not sure	5
No, Did Not Vote	
Not sure	-

QF2 Are you currently employed? (IF "CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) What type of work do you do? (RECORD UNDER "6--OTHER.") (IF "NOT CURRENTLY EMPLOYED," ASK:) Are you a student, a homemaker, retired, or unemployed and looking for work?

Currently Employed	
Professional, manager	20
White-collar worker	18
Blue-collar worker	18
Farmer, rancher	-
Not Currently Employed	
Student	5
Homemaker	7
Retired	23
Unemployed, looking for work	6
Other	1
Not sure	2

QF3 What is the last grade that you completed in school? (DO NOT READ CHOICES.)

Grade school	-
Some high school	5
High school graduate	25
Some college, no degree	19
Vocational training/2-year college	8
4-year college/bachelor's degree	24
Some postgraduate work, no degree	4
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree	11
Doctoral/law degree	3
Not sure/refused	1

QF4 Thinking about your general approach to issues, do you consider yourself to be liberal, moderate, or conservative? (IF "LIBERAL" OR "CONSERVATIVE," ASK:) Do you consider yourself to be very (liberal/conservative) or somewhat (liberal/conservative)?

Very liberal	6
Somewhat liberal	15
Moderate	40
Somewhat conservative	23
Very conservative	14
Not sure	2

QF5a What is your religion?

Protestant (includes Baptist, Lutheran, Methodist, Episcopal, Presbyterian, and other Christians)	44
Catholic	25
Jewish	2
Muslim	1
Mormon/LDS/Church of Jesus Christ of Latter Day Saints	2
Other	15
None	9
Not sure/refused	2

(ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY PROTESTANT, OTHER, NONE, OR NOT SURE IN QF5a.)

QF5b Would you describe yourself as either a fundamentalist or an evangelical Christian, or would you not describe yourself that way?

Fundamentalist/evangelical	13
Neither fundamentalist nor evangelical	55
Not sure	3
Catholic/Jewish/Muslim/Mormon (QF5a)	29

QF6a/b Are you a current or retired labor union member? (ASK ONLY OF RESPONDENTS WHO SAY "NO" OR "NOT SURE" IN QF6a.) Is anyone else in your household a current or retired labor union member?

Labor union member	16
Union household	7
Non-union household	76
Not sure	1

QF7 If you added together the yearly income of all the members of your family who were living at home last year, would the total be less than ten thousand dollars, between ten thousand dollars and twenty thousand dollars, between twenty thousand dollars and thirty thousand dollars, between thirty thousand dollars and forty thousand dollars, between forty thousand dollars and fifty thousand dollars, between fifty thousand dollars and seventy-five thousand dollars, between seventy-five thousand dollars and one hundred thousand dollars, or would the total be more than that?

Less than \$10,000	4
Between \$10,000 and \$20,000	9
Between \$20,000 and \$30,000	9
Between \$30,000 and \$40,000	9
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000	9
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000	17
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000	13
More than \$100,000	21
Not sure/refused	9