

Interviews: 800 adults, including 100 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 800 interviews is ±3.46%***

***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 .....	-	<b>TERMINATE</b>
Cell phone is only telephone .....	100	<b>CONTINUE</b>
Not sure .....	-	<b>TERMINATE</b>

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 .....	9
25-29 .....	6
30-34 .....	11
35-39 .....	9
40-44 .....	10
45-49 .....	8
50-54 .....	10
55-59 .....	9
60-64 .....	13
65-69 .....	6
70-74 .....	4
75 and over.....	5
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 .....	77
Black .....	11
Asian .....	2
Other .....	-
Hispanic (VOL).....	9
Not sure/refused.....	1

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>5/11</u>	<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>	<i>High</i> <u>9/01</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>10/17-20/08+</u>
Headed in the right direction.....	36	28	31	35	28	32	31	32	72	12
Off on the wrong track .....	50	63	60	56	63	58	60	59	11	78
Mixed (VOL) .....	10	6	6	5	6	6	5	6	11	7
Not sure .....	4	3	3	4	3	4	4	3	6	3
	<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>1/23-25/10</u>	<u>1/10-14/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>10/09</u>
	32	30	32	29	34	33	32	34	33	36
	59	61	58	62	56	59	58	54	55	52
	5	6	6	5	6	5	7	10	10	9
	4	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>5/11</u>	<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 .....	52	49	48	53	45	47	45	47	46	61	45	
Disapprove.....	41	45	46	41	48	47	50	49	49	30	50	
Not sure .....	7	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>1/23-25/1</u>	<u>1/10-14/10</u>
					45	47	45	48	50	48	0	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>5/11*</u>	<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>	<i>High</i> <u>2/09</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>5/11</u>	
Approve .....	37	45	46	45	42	42	43	42	56	37	
Disapprove .....	58	52	49	50	54	54	53	54	31	58	
Not sure .....	5	3	5	5	4	4	4	4	13	5	
					<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>
					39	44	46	48	47	47	43
					56	52	50	46	50	49	49
					5	4	4	6	3	4	8
					<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>
					42	47	50	49	51	55	56
					51	46	42	44	38	37	31
					7	7	8	7	11	8	13

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

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

	<u>5/11</u>	<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.....	57	49	48	50	49	51	50	57	54	56
Disapprove.....	35	46	44	37	42	39	36	33	36	31
Not sure .....	8	5	8	13	9	10	14	10	10	13

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

	<u>5/11**</u>	<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 .....	56	46	49	48	44	53	46
Disapprove.....	35	45	38	41	45	35	42
Not sure .....	9	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>5/11</u>	<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>11/10</u>	<u>5/6-3/10</u>	<i>High</i> <u>9/98</u>	<i>Low</i> <u>10/17-20/08+</u>
Approve .....	22	20	22	20	21	21	22	21	17	61	12
Disapprove.....	70	73	69	73	71	72	73	72	77	28	79
Not sure .....	8	7	9	7	8	7	5	7	6	11	9
				<u>1/10-14/10</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>	<u>2/09</u>
				21	22	24	22	24	29	28	31
				67	68	65	66	63	57	58	54
				12	10	11	12	13	14	14	15
			<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>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>6/08+</u>	<u>1/08</u>	<u>9/07</u>
			23	21	12	13	15	15	13	18	23
			68	69	79	78	73	75	79	70	65
			9	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, organizations, and different countries 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.

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure
<b>Barack Obama</b>						
May 2011 .....	33	21	14	13	18	1
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

<b>Barack Obama</b>						
<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
<b>NBC-WSJ All-time Presidential Tracking High/Low within Presidential Term</b>						
<i>High</i>						
March 1991 (George H.W. Bush) .....	50	30	9	6	4	1
<i>Low</i>						
October 17-20, 2008+ (George W. Bush) .....	11	18	11	15	45	-

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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>
<b>The Democratic Party</b>						
May 2011 .....	15	26	22	18	17	2
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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	<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>
<b>The Republican Party</b>						
May 2011 .....	8	24	22	21	23	2
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>
<b>George W. Bush</b>						
May 2011.....	13	24	22	16	24	1
October 28-30, 2010+ .....	12	20	16	17	34	1
August 26-30, 2010+ .....	8	22	22	15	32	1
June 2010.....	7	22	21	19	31	-
January 2010.....	10	20	18	17	34	1
April 2009 .....	9	17	15	16	41	2
January 2009.....	13	18	11	17	41	-
December 2008.....	11	20	10	16	43	-
October 17-20, 2008+ .....	11	18	11	15	45	-
October 4-5, 2008+ .....	12	18	12	13	45	-
September 19-22, 2008+.....	13	17	11	13	46	-
September 6-8, 2008+.....	15	18	12	14	41	-
August 2008+ .....	15	19	11	15	40	-
July 2008+ .....	14	18	10	16	42	-
June 2008+ .....	11	19	10	16	44	-
April 2008+ .....	12	19	13	14	42	-
March 24-25, 2008+ .....	16	17	12	13	41	1
March 7-10, 2008+ .....	16	18	10	12	43	1
January 2008.....	14	18	10	17	40	1
June 2007.....	12	20	11	15	42	-
January 2007.....	17	18	12	17	35	1
June 2006.....	18	21	9	15	37	-
January 2006.....	24	17	12	13	33	1
July 2005 .....	27	20	10	15	28	-
January 2005.....	32	19	9	15	25	-
June 2004+ .....	33	15	8	14	30	-
January 2004.....	38	17	8	13	24	-
July 2003 .....	38	21	9	14	17	-
January 2003.....	36	20	12	16	16	-
June 2002.....	43	27	11	10	9	-
January 2002.....	53	26	10	7	4	-
June 2001.....	30	23	16	15	15	1
January 2001.....	25	25	18	13	17	2
<i>High</i>						
December 2001.....	54	26	9	6	5	-
<i>Low</i>						
April 2009 .....	9	17	15	16	41	2
<b>The Central Intelligence Agency, or CIA</b>						
May 2011.....	24	34	28	6	3	5
June 2006.....	10	21	32	17	11	9
June 2002.....	9	22	29	24	12	4
<b>Afghanistan</b>						
May 2011.....	3	8	26	28	32	3
August 5-9, 2010 .....	2	9	27	33	25	4
<b>Pakistan</b>						
May 2011.....	2	4	22	27	40	5
August 5-9, 2010 .....	1	3	27	30	31	8

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Q.6 (cont'd)

	Very Positive	Somewhat Positive	Neutral	Somewhat Negative	Very Negative	Don't Know Name/ Not Sure
<b>Hillary Clinton</b>						
May 2011* .....	26	29	23	12	9	1
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
<b>Leon Panetta</b>						
May 2011** .....	10	16	18	5	3	48

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

	TOTAL POSITIVE	TOTAL NEGATIVE	D/S
The Central Intelligence Agency, or CIA	58	9	49
Hillary Clinton	55	21	34
Barack Obama	54	31	23
Leon Panetta	26	8	18
The Democratic Party	41	35	6
George W. Bush	37	40	-3
The Republican Party	32	44	-12
Afghanistan	11	60	-49
Pakistan	6	67	-61

And, thinking about the next Presidential election...

Q7 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?

	5/11+	4/11+	2/11+
Probably vote for President Obama .....	45	43	45
Probably vote for Republican candidate .....	30	38	40
Vote for other party (VOL) .....	4	3	3
Depends/Depends on who opponent is (VOL) .....	16	11	9
Not sure .....	5	5	3

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**Now, thinking about something else...**

Q8 How confident are you that Barack Obama has the right set of goals and policies to be president of the United States--extremely confident, quite confident, only somewhat confident, or not at all confident?

	<u>5/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>	<u>8/5- 9/10</u>	<u>6/10</u>	<u>1/23- 25/10</u>	<u>1/10- 14/10</u>	<u>12/09</u>
Extremely confident .....	20	15	19	21	19	23	19
Quite confident .....	18	21	21	19	20	21	20
Only somewhat confident .....	31	28	22	22	32	25	28
Not at all confident.....	30	36	38	37	29	30	33
Not sure .....	1	-	-	-	-	1	-

  

	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/09</u>	<u>4/09</u>	<u>2/09</u>	<u>1/09</u>	<u>12/08</u>
	24	25	25	31	29	30
	21	21	27	23	25	24
	23	23	25	26	30	29
	31	30	23	19	15	16
	1	1	-	1	1	1

Q9 How would you rate Barack Obama on the following qualities, using a five-point scale, on which a "five" means a very good rating, a "one" means a very poor rating, and a "three" means a mixed rating? (RANDOMIZE) (IF "NOT SURE," RECORD AS "DK.")

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY VERY GOOD RATING (SCORE OF "4-5")*

	<b>Very Good Rating</b>			<b>Very Poor Rating</b>		<b>Cannot Rate</b>
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	<u>Rate</u>
<b>Having strong leadership qualities</b>						
May 2011 .....	34	20	22	8	15	1
December 2010 .....	26	23	19	12	21	-
June 2010 .....	27	22	19	10	22	-
January 10-14, 2010 .....	34	23	18	11	13	1
October 2009 .....	36	20	17	9	17	1
July 2009 .....	38	23	15	9	15	-
April 2009 .....	46	22	15	8	9	-
January 2009 <sup>1</sup> .....	44	26	16	6	7	1
June 2008+ .....	23	24	30	10	12	1
March 2008+ .....	24	22	27	9	16	2
November 2007+ .....	15	24	28	14	15	4
<b>Having the ability to handle a crisis</b>						
May 2011* .....	33	20	24	9	13	1
December 2010 .....	22	20	21	13	22	-
June 2010 .....	20	20	21	13	26	-
January 10-14, 2010 .....	29	22	18	10	20	1
October 2009 .....	27	18	20	12	21	2
April 2009.....	31	23	20	9	14	3
January 2009 .....	25	21	25	14	9	6

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Q9 (cont'd)	Very Good Rating			Very Poor Rating		Cannot Rate
	5	4	3	2	1	
<b>Being firm and decisive in his decision-making</b>						
May 2011**	26	27	21	9	17	-
December 2010	19	22	28	12	18	1
June 2010	20	24	23	12	20	1
January 10-14, 2010	29	20	24	11	16	-
October 2009	27	21	19	14	19	-
July 2009	27	30	22	8	13	-
April 2009	34	31	15	9	10	1
January 2009	37	26	20	4	9	4
<b>Being honest and straightforward</b>						
May 2011*	31	20	18	11	18	2
December 2010	29	19	18	12	22	-
June 2010	28	18	19	10	24	1
January 10-14, 2010	35	16	19	9	21	-
October 2009	33	18	17	8	23	1
April 2009	40	24	14	7	13	2
January 2009	41	22	20	6	8	3
June 2008+	25	27	22	12	13	1
March 2008	29	24	22	7	14	4
November 2007+	26	25	27	8	9	5
<b>Being a good commander-in-chief</b>						
May 2011	29	22	22	10	16	1
December 2010	22	19	22	13	23	1
January 10-14, 2010	28	21	19	12	20	-
October 2009	26	20	18	10	25	1
April 2009	33	22	20	8	15	2
January 2009	32	23	20	8	12	5
June 2008+	13	20	26	15	24	2
March 2008+	19	22	28	13	16	2
November 2007+	12	17	30	15	21	5
<b>Achieving his goals</b>						
May 2011**	15	26	33	10	13	3
December 2010	11	22	35	15	16	1
January 10-14, 2010	17	23	32	13	14	1
October 2009	17	20	30	14	18	1
April 2009	25	35	25	5	8	2
January 2009	32	24	24	9	5	6

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Q9 (cont'd)	Very Good Rating			Very Poor Rating		Cannot Rate
	<u>5</u>	<u>4</u>	<u>3</u>	<u>2</u>	<u>1</u>	
<b>Uniting the country</b>						
May 2011**	18	22	26	15	18	1
December 2010	14	16	27	14	28	1
January 10-14, 2010	20	20	25	11	24	-
October 2009	20	18	24	13	24	1
April 2009	28	29	19	8	15	1
January 2009	36	24	22	9	7	2
<b>Sharing your positions on the issues</b>						
May 2011*	17	21	29	11	21	1
December 2010	17	18	27	13	25	1
January 10-14, 2010	20	18	24	10	27	1
October 2009	21	18	22	11	27	1
July 2009	23	21	21	9	25	1
April 2009	26	22	21	11	19	1
January 2009	29	23	22	12	13	1
June 2008+	21	18	23	14	23	1
March 2008+	18	21	23	13	21	4
November 2007+	13	20	28	12	21	6

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

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**Now turning to the economy...**

Q10 During the next twelve months, do you think that the nation's economy will get better, get worse, or stay about the same?

	<u>5/11</u>	<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>
Economy will get better .....	31	33	29	40	32	37	37	32	26	34
Economy will get worse .....	25	21	29	17	24	15	20	24	26	25
Economy will stay about the same ..	43	46	41	42	42	46	41	41	45	39
Not sure .....	1	-	1	1	2	2	2	3	3	2
			<u>6/10</u>	<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>
			33	40	41	41	42	47	44	46
			23	20	22	19	22	20	21	22
			43	38	36	38	33	30	32	29
			1	2	1	2	3	3	3	3
		<u>4/09</u>	<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>	
		38	36	38	25	21	19	16	21	
		30	28	20	43	49	45	31	16	
		30	34	37	28	27	29	49	60	
		2	2	5	4	3	7	4	3	
	<u>9-10/06+</u>	<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>	
	22	16	17	24	24	26	28	43	43	
	22	39	44	27	30	34	30	17	10	
	51	43	36	46	42	37	36	36	33	
	5	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<sup>1</sup></u>	<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	

<sup>1</sup> Prior to April 2001, the question was phrased, "Over the past year..."

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters.

**Thinking about the situation in Afghanistan...**

Q11a 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>5/11*</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>	<u>7/08+</u>	<u>10/06</u>
Very successful.....	7	3	2	8	7	9
Somewhat successful.....	55	54	37	38	37	42
Somewhat unsuccessful.....	23	27	29	26	27	23
Very unsuccessful.....	11	15	27	23	26	24
Not sure.....	4	1	5	5	3	2

\* Asked of one-half the respondents (FORM A).  
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Q11b Do you feel more confident or less confident that the war in Afghanistan will come to a successful conclusion?

	<u>5/11**</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>12/09</u>	<u>9/09</u>
More confident.....	38	31	30	28
Less confident.....	50	60	58	59
Depends (VOL).....	6	2	5	6
Not sure.....	6	7	7	7

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

Q12 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>5/11</u>	<u>4/11</u>	<u>12/10</u>
Strongly approve.....	17	15	19
Somewhat approve.....	35	37	34
Somewhat disapprove.....	20	19	16
Strongly disapprove.....	26	27	29
Not sure.....	2	2	2

**Now, thinking about the recent death of Osama bin Laden...**

Q13 Which statement comes closest to what you think about Osama bin Laden's death...(ROTATE)

**Statement A:** The United States should remove our troops from Afghanistan because bin Laden's death indicates the Taliban and Al Qaeda are less of a threat and our presence there is no longer necessary.

**Statement B:** The United States should keep our troops in Afghanistan because bin Laden's death does not change the overall mission of securing Afghanistan and the Taliban and Al Qaeda still remain a continuing threat.

Statement A/US Remove Troops.....	20
Statement B/US Keep Troops.....	72
Depends (VOL).....	3
Not sure.....	5

Q14 Do you think the death of Osama bin Laden will make it easier, make it harder, or not affect the United States' ability to win the global war on terror?

Easier to win the global war on terror .....	39
Harder to win the global war on terror.....	15
Not affect ability to win the global war on terror ....	38
Depends/Not sure (VOL) .....	8

Do you think <b>Saddam Hussein's capture</b> will make it easier, make it harder, or not affect the United States' ability to win the global war on terror?		
	<u>1/04</u>	<u>12/03</u>
Easier to win the global war on terror .....	48	57
Harder to win the global war on terror .....	8	4
Not affect ability to win the global war on terror ....	40	34
Depends/Not sure (VOL) .....	4	5

Q15 Thinking some more about the military operation that resulted in the death of Osama bin Laden —Have you gained respect, lost respect, or is your opinion unchanged for each of the following? (RANDOMIZE)

*THIS TABLE HAS BEEN RANKED BY THE PERCENTAGE WHO SAY GAINED RESPECT*

	<u>Gained Respect</u>	<u>Lost Respect</u>	<u>Opinion Unchanged</u>	<u>Not Sure</u>
<b>The U.S. Military</b>				
May 2011.....	62	1	35	2
<b>The Central Intelligence Agency, or CIA</b>				
May 2011.....	47	2	47	4
<b>President Obama</b>				
May 2011.....	47	6	46	1
<b>Former President George W. Bush</b>				
May 2011.....	20	13	65	2
<b>Pakistan</b>				
May 2011.....	4	45	47	4

Q16 Do you think it was the right decision or wrong decision to kill Osama bin Laden rather than capture him?

Right decision .....	80
Wrong decision .....	11
Not sure .....	9

Q17 Do you think the Obama Administration should release or should not release the picture that shows Osama bin Laden dead with a bullet wound in the face? (If Release/Not release, then ask) And, do you feel that way strongly or not so strongly?

Strongly should release.....	24
Not-so-strongly should release.....	5
Not-so-strongly should not release.....	12
Strongly should not release.....	52
No opinion (VOL).....	7

Q18 Do you think the leaders of Pakistan knew where Osama bin Laden was in their country and deliberately withheld this information from the United States or do you think they did not know where Osama bin Laden was?

Knew where he was and withheld.....	72
Did not know where he was .....	13
Knew he was in country/not exact location (VOL) .....	6
Not sure .....	9

**Now, thinking about something slightly different...**

Q19a How worried are you that the United States will experience another major terrorist attack--very worried, fairly worried, only slightly worried, or not really worried at all?

	<u>5/11*</u>	<u>5/10</u>	<u>1/10</u>	<u>10/17- 20/08+</u>	<u>9/07</u>	<u>7/07</u>	<u>1/06</u>	<u>7/05</u>	<u>1/02</u>
Very worried.....	21	31	33	17	27	30	25	31	30
Fairly worried .....	31	27	23	25	25	22	23	27	29
Only slightly worried.....	33	28	28	41	34	32	35	29	26
Not really worried at all .....	14	14	15	16	13	16	17	12	14
Not sure .....	1	-	1	1	1	-	-	1	1

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

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Q19b How likely do you think it is that the United States will be the target of another major terrorist attack at home or overseas in the next few months--very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely, or very unlikely?

	<u>5/11**</u>	<u>1/04</u>	<u>5/03</u>	<u>10/02+</u>	<u>6/02</u>	<u>4/02</u>	<u>1/02</u>	<u>12/01</u>
Very likely .....	32	33	41	55	44	45	44	45
Somewhat likely .....	46	45	41	34	40	38	37	40
Somewhat unlikely .....	15	13	11	5	10	11	11	10
Very unlikely .....	5	6	5	4	4	4	5	3
Not sure.....	2	3	1	2	2	2	3	2

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

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

QF1 Are you currently registered to vote at this address?

Registered.....	84
Not registered.....	15
Not sure.....	1

QF2 What is the last grade that you completed in school? (DO NOT READ CHOICES.)

Grade school.....	1
Some high school.....	5
High school graduate .....	24
Some college, no degree .....	19
Vocational training/2-year college .....	8
4-year college/bachelor's degree .....	25
Some postgraduate work, no degree .....	4
2-3 years postgraduate work/master's degree .....	12
Doctoral/law degree .....	2
Not sure/refused.....	-

QF3 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.....	25
Not very strong Democrat .....	10
Independent/lean Democrat.....	9
Strictly Independent .....	16
Independent/lean Republican .....	7
Not very strong Republican.....	10
Strong Republican .....	14
Other (VOL) .....	7
Not sure .....	2

QF3a Do you consider yourself a supporter of the Tea Party Movement?

	5/11+	4/11+	2/11+	1/11+	12/10+	11/10+	10/28-30/10+	10/14-18/10+	9/10+
Yes .....	26	25	29	27	29	30	28	30	28
No .....	62	67	61	62	61	59	61	59	61
Depends (VOL) .....	2	3	3	3	3	4	3	2	3
Not sure .....	10	5	7	8	7	7	8	10	8

+ Results shown reflect responses among registered voters

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.....	8
Somewhat liberal .....	12
Moderate .....	41
Somewhat conservative .....	20
Very conservative .....	14
Not sure .....	5

QF5 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 .....	10
Between \$40,000 and \$50,000 .....	7
Between \$50,000 and \$75,000 .....	19
Between \$75,000 and \$100,000 .....	12
More than \$100,000 .....	20
Not sure/refused .....	10

QF6 Please tell me whether any of the following statements applies to you (MULTIPLE RESPONSES ACCEPTED)

You or an immediate family member is currently serving in the U.S. military. ....	13
You are a military veteran. ....	13
Someone in your immediate family is a military veteran. ....	45
Neither you nor an immediate family member is a current or former member of the military. ....	39
Not sure/refused .....	2

QF7 Do you personally have a close friend or relative who was killed in the September eleventh terrorist attacks?

Yes .....	7
No .....	92
Refuse .....	1