



Interviews with 1,245 adult Americans, including an oversample of African-Americans, conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on January 12-15, 2009. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. The sample also includes 332 interviews among African-Americans (plus or minus 5.5 percentage points) and 798 non-Hispanic whites (plus or minus 3.5 percentage points).

Columns in this document labeled "Whites" show results only for respondents who described themselves as white in a question on racial background and did not describe themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity. Columns in this document labeled "Blacks" refer to all respondents who described themselves as black or African-American regardless of their ethnic background.

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his presidential transition?

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	84%	14%	2%
<i>Whites</i>	81%	17%	3%
<i>Blacks</i>	96%	3%	1%
Dec. 19-21, 2008	82%	15%	3%
Dec. 1-2, 2008	79%	18%	3%

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	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u><i>George W. Bush</i></u>			
2001 Jan 15-16	61	25	14
2001 Jan 5-7	65	26	9
<u><i>Bill Clinton</i></u>			
1992 Dec 18-20	67	15	18
1992 Nov 19-20 *	62	14	24

* Gallup/Newsweek

2. How do you personally feel about the fact that Barack Obama will soon be inaugurated as president? If you had to choose one of the following descriptions, would you say you feel thrilled, happy, don't care, unhappy or depressed?

	<u>Thrilled</u>	<u>Happy</u>	<u>Don't care</u>	<u>Unhappy</u>	<u>Depressed</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	28%	40%	15%	12%	4%	*
<i>Whites</i>	24%	38%	17%	15%	5%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	62%	34%	3%	1%	*	*

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	<u>Thrilled</u>	<u>Happy</u>	<u>Didn't care</u>	<u>Unhappy</u>	<u>Depressed</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Jan 20	18	32	25	12	10	3
QUESTION WORDING: How did you personally feel about George W. Bush's inauguration today? If you had to choose one of the following descriptions, would you say you felt – thrilled, happy, didn't care, unhappy, or depressed?						

3. We'd like to get your overall opinion of some people in the news. As I read each name, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of these people -- or if you have never heard of them. (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never Heard of</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
Barack Obama				
January 12-15, 2009	78%	17%	1%	4%
December 1-2, 2008	76%	21%	*	3%
November 6-9, 2008	75%	22%	*	3%
October 17-19, 2008 ^(RV)	63%	33%	*	3%
October 3-5, 2008 ^(RV)	62%	36%	*	2%
Sept. 19-21, 2008 ^(RV)	63%	34%	*	3%
Sept. 5-7, 2008 ^(RV)	60%	34%	*	6%
Aug. 29-31, 2008 ^(RV)	64%	33%	*	2%
Aug. 23-24, 2008 ^(RV)	60%	36%	*	3%
July 27-29, 2008 ^(RV)	63%	33%	*	4%
June 26-29, 2008 ^(RV)	63%	32%	*	4%
April 28-30, 2008	56%	38%	*	5%
February 1-3, 2008	58%	31%	2%	8%
January 9-10, 2008	55%	28%	6%	11%
September 7-9, 2007	49%	27%	10%	13%
June 23-24, 2007	47%	24%	14%	15%
March 9-11, 2007	44%	21%	19%	16%
November 3-5, 2006	36%	11%	37%	16%
WHITES				
January 12-15, 2009	73%	21%	1%	5%
November 6-9, 2008	70%	27%	*	3%
February 1-3, 2008	52%	37%	2%	8%
BLACKS				
January 12-15, 2009	98%	2%	*	*
November 6-9, 2008	99%	1%	*	1%
February 1-3, 2008	85%	5%	1%	9%

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	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never Heard of</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
Joe Biden				
January 12-15, 2009	52%	26%	8%	13%
<i>Whites</i>	49%	31%	6%	14%
<i>Blacks</i>	62%	7%	17%	14%
December 1-2, 2008	56%	28%	6%	10%
November 6-9, 2008	64%	25%	3%	8%
<i>Whites</i>	61%	29%	2%	7%
<i>Blacks</i>	82%	6%	3%	9%
October 17-19, 2008 (RV)	56%	31%	4%	9%
October 3-5, 2008 (RV)	56%	32%	6%	7%
Sept. 19-21, 2008 (RV)	52%	31%	6%	11%
Sept. 5-7, 2008 (RV)	51%	28%	7%	14%
Aug. 29-31, 2008 (RV)	53%	25%	7%	15%
Aug. 23-24, 2008 (RV)	38%	25%	12%	25%
July 27-29, 2008* (RV)	27%	22%	35%	16%

*QUESTION WORDING: "Delaware Senator Joe Biden"
(RV) BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS

Michelle Obama				
January 12-15, 2009	69%	16%	3%	12%
<i>Whites</i>	65%	21%	1%	13%
<i>Blacks</i>	95%	3%	*	2%
December 1-2, 2008	67%	21%	1%	10%
October 17-19, 2008	56%	30%	2%	12%
Aug. 23-24, 2008	50%	32%	2%	15%
June 26-29, 2008	51%	28%	4%	17%

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	<u>Favor- able</u>	<u>Unfavor- able</u>	<u>Never Heard of</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
George W. Bush				
January 12-15, 2009	35%	60%	*	4%
<i>Whites</i>	43%	53%	*	4%
<i>Blacks</i>	11%	87%	*	1%
Aug. 29-31, 2008	38%	61%	*	1%
September 22-24, 2006	46%	52%	*	1%
April 21-23, 2006	40%	57%	*	2%
Dick Cheney				
January 12-15, 2009	29%	58%	3%	9%
<i>Whites</i>	33%	57%	1%	8%
<i>Blacks</i>	13%	65%	6%	16%
Aug. 29-31, 2008	32%	61%	*	x6%
April 10-12, 2007	38%	52%	2%	8%
September 22-24, 2006	37%	54%	3%	6%
April 21-23, 2006	35%	52%	4%	8%
Laura Bush				
January 12-15, 2009	67%	20%	2%	11%
<i>Whites</i>	75%	14%	2%	9%
<i>Blacks</i>	40%	42%	1%	17%
Aug. 29-31, 2008	62%	28%	1%	9%
September 22-24, 2006	68%	23%	4%	6%

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George W. Bush

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>No opinion</u>		<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
				<u>2005</u>			
2005 Dec 16-18	46	53	1	<u>2001</u>			
2005 Jul 25-28	48	50	2	2001 Jun 8-10	62	36	2
2005 Apr 1-2	54	45	1	2001 Apr 20-22	65	32	3
2005 Feb 25-27	56	42	2	2001 Mar 9-11	63	32	5
2005 Feb 4-6	59	39	2	2001 Mar 5-7	69	28	3
<u>2004</u>				2001 Feb 19-21	67	27	6
2004 Nov 19-21	60	39	1	2001 Feb 1-4	64	33	3
2004 Oct 29-31	51	46	3	2001 Jan 15-16	62	36	2
2004 Oct 22-24*	53	44	3	<u>2000</u>			
2004 Oct 14-16	55	44	1	2000 Dec 15-17	59	36	5
2004 Oct 9-10	51	46	3	2000 Dec 2-4	56	40	4
2004 Oct 1-3	53	45	2	2000 Nov 13-15	53	43	4
2004 Sep 13-15*	55	44	1	2000 Nov 13-15**	54	43	3
2004 Sep 3-5	55	44	1	2000 Nov 4-5**	55	39	6
2004 Aug 23-25	54	44	2	2000 Oct 24-26**	62	33	5
2004 Jul 30-Aug 1	52	46	2	2000 Oct 23-25**	60	35	5
2004 Jul 19-21	52	46	2	2000 Oct 20-22**	59	37	4
2004 Jul 8-11	52	46	2	2000 Oct 5-7**	58	36	6
2004 Jun 21-23	53	45	2	2000 Sep 28-30**	55	38	7
2004 Apr 16-18	56	42	2	2000 Sep 15-17**	51	41	8
2004 Mar 26-28	57	41	2	2000 Aug 18-19	60	34	6
2004 Feb 16-17	56	42	2	2000 Aug 4-5	67	28	5
2004 Jan 29-Feb 1	52	47	1	2000 Jul 25-26	63	31	6
2004 Jan 2-5	65	35	*	2000 Jul 14-16	64	29	7
<u>2003</u>				2000 Jun 23-25	60	31	9
2003 Oct 6-8	60	39	1	2000 Jun 6-7	64	29	7
2003 Jun 27-29*	65	34	1	2000 Apr 28-30	61	33	6
2003 Jun 9-10	66	33	1	2000 Mar 10-12	63	32	5
2003 Jan 31-Feb 2	68	32	*	2000 Feb 25-27	57	35	8
<u>2002</u>				2000 Feb 20-21	58	35	7
2002 Dec 16-17	68	30	2	2000 Feb 4-6	63	31	6
2002 Sep 23-26	70	28	2	2000 Jan 17-19	66	26	8
2002 Jul 26-28	71	26	3	<u>1999</u>			
2002 May 20-22	80	18	2	1999 Dec 9-12	68	25	7
2002 Apr 29-May 1	79	19	2	1999 Oct 21-24	71	21	8
2002 Jan 11-14	83	15	2	1999 Oct 8-10	70	25	5
<u>2001</u>				1999 Sep 23-26	71	22	7
2001 Nov 26-27	87	11	2	1999 Aug 16-18	68	21	11
2001 Aug 3-5	60	35	5	1999 Jun 25-27	69	16	15
				1999 Apr 13-14	73	15	12
				1999 Feb 19-21	69	12	19

*Asked of a half sample.

**Based on registered voters.

Laura Bush

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Dec 16-18	73	13	2	12
2005 Feb 4-6	80	12	1	7
2004 Oct 22-24*	73	16	1	10
2004 Oct 1-3	74	16	2	8
2004 Aug 23-25*	63	20	4	13
2003 Jun 9-10	69	13	7	11
2001 Nov 26-27	77	7	4	12
2001 Jan 15-16	56	11	13	20
2000 Aug 4-5	45	14	17	24
2000 Jun 22-25	34	8	35	23

*Asked of a half sample.

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Dick Cheney

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Dec 16-18	41	50	2	7
2005 Oct 28-30	42	51	2	5
2005 Oct 13-16	43	47	2	8
2005 Jun 24-26	48	44	2	6
2005 Feb 4-6	51	41	2	6
2004 Nov 19-21	53	41	2	4
2004 Oct 9-10	46	46	2	6
2004 Sep 3-5	48	44	2	6
2004 Aug 23-25*	44	45	2	9
2004 Jul 19-21*	47	43	2	8
2004 Jul 8-11	46	42	3	9
2004 Feb 16-17	45	42	3	10
2003 Oct 24-26	55	33	3	9
2003 Sep 19-21	54	36	3	7
2003 Jun 27-29*	54	34	3	9
2003 Jan 31-Feb 2	61	28	2	9
2002 Sep 23-26	65	24	4	7
2002 Jul 26-28	57	30	3	10
2002 Jan 11-14	67	20	3	10
2001 Apr 20-22	64	22	3	11
2001 Mar 5-7	63	18	5	14
2001 Jan 15-16	61	23	5	11
2000 Dec 15-17	61	23	6	10
2000 Dec 2-4	58	23	8	11
2000 Nov 13-15	51	22	9	18
2000 Nov 13-15	53	22	8	17
2000 Sep 15-17	46	24	8	22
2000 Aug 18-19	54	21	5	20
2000 Aug 4-5	48	21	9	22
2000 Jul 25-26	51	14	12	23

*Asked of a half sample.

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	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi				
January 12-15, 2009	39%	37%	11%	12%
<i>Whites</i>	39%	44%	6%	11%
<i>Blacks</i>	48%	18%	20%	14%
November 6-9, 2008	40%	39%	12%	8%
<i>Whites</i>	36%	47%	10%	7%
<i>Blacks</i>	50%	12%	26%	11%
Aug. 23-24, 2008 ^(RV)	38%	37%	11%	13%
April 10-12, 2007	45%	30%	13%	11%
November 17-19, 2006*	41%	23%	21%	15%
November 3-5, 2006**	35%	24%	23%	19%
October 6-8, 2006**	35%	26%	29%	11%

*WORDING: "Incoming Speaker of the House Nancy Pelosi"

**WORDING: "House Democratic Leader Nancy Pelosi"

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House Democratic Leader, Nancy Pelosi

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2003 Jul 25-27	23	19	42	16
2003 Jan 3-5	23	18	39	20

Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid

January 12-15, 2009	28%	28%	25%	19%
<i>Whites</i>	24%	34%	24%	18%
<i>Blacks</i>	39%	12%	28%	20%
November 6-9, 2008	26%	24%	30%	21%
<i>Whites</i>	24%	29%	26%	21%
<i>Blacks</i>	43%	7%	34%	16%
November 17-19, 2006	28%	19%	37%	16%
October 6-8, 2006	28%	23%	36%	13%

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Senate Democratic Leader Harry Reid

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 May 20-22	22	19	42	17
2005 Apr 29-May 1	21	18	44	17

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4. Do you see next week's inauguration more as a celebration by all Americans of democracy in action, or a political celebration by the supporters of the candidate who won the presidential election?

	<u>Celebration by all Americans</u>	<u>Celebration by supporters</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	60%	39%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	56%	43%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	80%	20%	1%

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George W. Bush	<u>Celebration by all Americans</u>	<u>Celebration by the supporters</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Jan 14-16	29	69	2
2001 Jan 15-16	26	72	2

5. What are your expectations for Barack Obama's inauguration speech? Do you think his speech will be excellent, good, just okay, poor, or terrible?

	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Just okay</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Terrible</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	44%	41%	11%	1%	2%	*
<i>Whites</i>	40%	42%	14%	1%	2%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	68%	26%	5%	*	*	1%

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	<u>Excellent</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Just okay</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>Terrible</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Jan 14-16	17	38	28	9	6	2
2001 Jan 15-16	16	45	30	4	3	2

QUESTION WORDING: What are your expectations for George W. Bush's inauguration speech? Do you think his speech will be -- excellent, good, just okay, poor, or terrible?

6. Obama will take the oath of office at noon on next Tuesday and give his speech immediately after that happens. How likely is it that you will watch those events live on television at the moment they are taking place -- very likely, somewhat likely, not very likely, or not likely at all?

	<u>Very likely</u>	<u>Somewhat likely</u>	<u>Not very Likely</u>	<u>Not likely at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	43%	21%	13%	23%	*
<i>Whites</i>	36%	21%	16%	26%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	79%	16%	3%	2%	*

7. Which of the following is the most important issue facing the country today? (RANDOM ORDER) (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 524 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>War in Iraq</u>	<u>Illegal Immigration</u>	<u>Health Care</u>	<u>Terrorism</u>	<u>Economy</u>	<u>Other (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	8%	5%	6%	6%	74%	1%	*
<i>Whites</i>	8%	4%	7%	8%	72%	*	*
<i>Blacks</i>	5%	7%	9%	1%	75%	2%	1%
December 19-21, 2008	6%	5%	7%	6%	75%	1%	*

PREVIOUS QUESTION WORDING: Which of the following issues will be MOST important to you when you decide how to vote for president?

	<u>War in Iraq</u>	<u>Illegal immigration</u>	<u>Health care</u>	<u>Terrorism</u>	<u>Economy</u>	<u>Other (vol.)</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
Registered Voters							
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2008	13%	5%	13%	11%	57%	2%	*
Sept. 19-21, 2008	10%	6%	14%	12%	56%	1%	1%
Sept. 5-7, 2008	13%	6%	12%	11%	56%	1%	1%
July 27-29, 2008	18%	9%	13%	9%	48%	2%	*
June 4-5, 2008	24%	8%	12%	11%	42%	1%	1%
April 28-30, 2008	19%	8%	14%	9%	49%	1%	1%
March 14-16, 2008	21%	7%	18%	10%	42%	1%	1%
February 1-3, 2008	20%	10%	16%	8%	44%	2%	*
January 9-10, 2008	25%	10%	18%	9%	35%	2%	*
December 6-9, 2007	23%	14%	20%	10%	29%	2%	2%
November 2-4, 2007	28%	10%	18%	12%	29%	1%	1%
October 12-14, 2007	28%	15%	20%	12%	22%	2%	1%
June 22-24, 2007	31%	15%	17%	10%	23%	3%	2%

8. Thinking specifically about the economy, which of the following is the most important economic issue facing the country today? (RANDOM ORDER) (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 515 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>Unemploy- ment</u>	<u>Inflation</u>	<u>Taxes</u>	<u>Stock market</u>	<u>Budget deficit</u>	<u>Mortgages</u>	<u>Other (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	52%	7%	7%	6%	15%	12%	2%	*
<i>Whites</i>	49%	7%	6%	8%	17%	11%	2%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	66%	5%	6%	2%	11%	6%	3%	*

9. How proud are you to be an American--extremely proud, very proud, moderately proud, only a little proud, or not at all proud?

	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Moderately</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	57%	26%	12%	3%	1%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	59%	26%	12%	2%	1%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	50%	32%	13%	4%	*	*
June 26-29, 2008*	61%	28%	7%	2%	1%	1%

* Asked of a half sample

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<u>ALL AMERICANS</u>	<u>Extremely</u>	<u>Very</u>	<u>Moderately</u>	<u>Only a little</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Jan 14-16	61	22	12	3	1	1
2004 Jan 2-5*	69	22	5	3	1	*
2003 Jun 27-29	70	20	6	2	1	1
2002 Sep 2-4	69	23	5	1	1	1
2002 Jun 17-19	65	25	6	1	2	1
2001 Jan 10-14	55	32	9	1	1	2
* Asked of a half sample.						
<u>WHITES</u>						
2002**	72	22	4	1	1	*
<u>BLACKS</u>						
2002**	48	36	12	2	2	*

**2002 trends for blacks and whites based on an aggregate of the June 17-19, 2002 and Sept. 2-4, 2002 surveys.

10. Thinking specifically about the effect of Barack Obama's election as president on relations between black and whites in this country, do you think his election is the start of a new era of better race relations, or do you think his election will result in some improvement in race relations, but not start a new era, or do you think his election will create no real change in race relations in this country, or do you think that his election will make race relations worse?

	<u>New era in Race relations</u>	<u>Some improvement</u>	<u>No real improvement</u>	<u>Race relations worse</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	28%	44%	21%	6%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	25%	44%	24%	6%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	44%	36%	13%	5%	2%
November 6-9, 2008	34%	43%	14%	9%	*
<i>Whites</i>	31%	44%	15%	10%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	51%	45%	3%	1%	*

11. Thinking about how the American public will judge Barack Obama during his presidency, do you think Obama will be held to a higher standard than previous presidents because he is black, or do you think he will be held to a lower standard than previous presidents because he is black, or do you think his race will not affect how the American public views Obama?

	<u>Higher standard</u>	<u>Lower standard</u>	<u>Race will have no affect</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	33%	8%	58%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	29%	9%	61%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	53%	5%	42%	*

12. Do you think the country would be better off if the Republicans controlled Congress, or if the Democrats controlled Congress?

	<u>Republicans</u>	<u>Democrats</u>	<u>Neither</u> <u>(vol.)</u>	<u>Same</u> <u>(vol.)</u>	<u>No</u> <u>opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	31%	56%	10%	3%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	39%	47%	10%	3%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	4%	86%	7%	2%	1%

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	<u>Republicans</u>	<u>Democrats</u>	<u>Neither</u> <u>(vol.)</u>	<u>Same</u> <u>(vol.)</u>	<u>No</u> <u>opinion</u>
2005 Nov 11-13	34	46	12	2	6
2005 Oct 13-16	32	45	12	4	7
2005 May 20-22	36	47	9	2	6
2004 Oct 22-24 ^	41	45	4	3	7
2004 Mar 26-28	39	41	7	4	9
2002 Jul 29-31	38	39	9	5	9
2002 Jul 5-8	40	39	11	3	7
2002 Jan 11-14	44	43	3	3	7
2001 Oct 5-6	38	37	11	7	7
2001 Aug 3-5	34	43	10	6	7
2001 Apr 20-22	41	43	6	3	7
2001 Jan 5-7	39	41	7	5	8
1999 Jul 16-18	37	42	12	2	7
1999 Jun 25-27	41	41	11	2	5
1999 May 23-24	36	37	14	4	9
1998 Dec 15-16	30	41	13	5	11
1998 Sep 23-24	35	41	11	3	10
1997 Aug 22-25	37	40	11	4	8
1997 Jul 25-27	37	39	11	5	8
1997 Jun 26-29	34	40	12	4	10
1996 Oct 26-29 †	39	42	7	2	10
1995 Dec 15-18	41	41	8	2	8
1995 Mar 27-29	45	33	10	4	8
1994 Oct 18-19	42	39	10	2	7

^ Asked of a half sample.

† Based on likely voters.

13. And when Barack Obama and the Democratic leaders in Congress disagree on an issue, are you more likely to trust Obama or more likely to trust the Democratic leaders in Congress?

	<u>Obama</u>	<u>Democratic</u> <u>Leaders</u>	<u>Both</u> <u>equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither</u> <u>(vol.)</u>	<u>No</u> <u>opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	62%	25%	4%	8%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	61%	26%	3%	9%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	64%	21%	11%	3%	2%
November 6-9, 2008	59%	24%	7%	8%	2%
<i>Whites</i>	57%	25%	7%	9%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	78%	10%	10%	1%	1%

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President?

	Jan. 12-15 <u>2009</u>	Dec. 19-21 <u>2008</u>	Dec. 1-2 <u>2008</u>	Nov. 6-9 <u>2008</u>	Oct. 30-Nov. 1 <u>2008</u>	
Approve	31%	27%	28%	24%	28%	
Disapprove	68%	72%	71%	76%	71%	
No opinion	1%	*	1%	1%	2%	
	Oct. 17-19 <u>2008</u>	Oct. 3-5 <u>2008</u>	Sept. 19-21 <u>2008</u>	Sept. 5-7 <u>2008</u>	Aug. 29-31 <u>2008</u>	Aug. 23-24 <u>2008</u>
Approve	27%	24%	31%	28%	33%	30%
Disapprove	72%	74%	68%	70%	66%	68%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
	July 27-29 <u>2008</u>	June 26-29 <u>2008</u>	June 4-5 <u>2008</u>	Apr. 28-30 <u>2008</u>	Mar. 14-16 <u>2008</u>	Feb. 1-3 <u>2008</u>
Approve	30%	30%	32%	28%	31%	32%
Disapprove	69%	68%	65%	71%	67%	67%
No opinion	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%
	Jan. 14-17 <u>2008</u>	Jan. 9-10 <u>2008</u>	Dec. 6-9 <u>2007</u>	Nov. 2-4 <u>2007</u>	Oct. 12-14 <u>2007</u>	Sept. 7-9 <u>2007</u>
Approve	34%	32%	32%	34%	36%	36%
Disapprove	63%	66%	66%	65%	61%	61%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	1%	3%	3%
	Aug. 6-8 <u>2007</u>	June 23-24 <u>2007</u>	May 4-6 <u>2007</u>	Apr. 10-12 <u>2007</u>	Mar. 9-11 <u>2007</u>	Jan. 19-21 <u>2007</u>
Approve	36%	32%	38%	36%	37%	34%
Disapprove	61%	66%	61%	62%	56%	63%
No opinion	3%	3%	1%	1%	7%	3%
	Jan. 11 <u>2007</u>	Dec. 15-17 <u>2006</u>	Dec. 5-7 <u>2006</u>	Nov. 17-19 <u>2006</u>	Nov. 3-5 <u>2006</u>	Oct. 27-29 <u>2006</u>
Approve	35%	36%	37%	38%	35%	37%
Disapprove	62%	62%	57%	59%	61%	58%
No opinion	3%	2%	6%	4%	4%	4%
	Oct. 20-22 <u>2006</u>	Oct. 13-15 <u>2006</u>	Oct. 6-8 <u>2006</u>	Sept. 29-Oct 2 <u>2006</u>	Sept 23-24 <u>2006</u>	Aug 30-Sept 2 <u>2006</u>
Approve	39%	36%	39%	39%	42%	41%
Disapprove	58%	61%	56%	59%	55%	55%
No opinion	3%	3%	5%	2%	3%	4%
	Aug. 18-20 <u>2006</u>	Aug. 2-3 <u>2006</u>	June 14-15 <u>2006</u>	May 16-17 <u>2006</u>	May 5-7 <u>2006</u>	Apr. 21-23 <u>2006</u>
Approve	42%	40%	37%	36%	34%	32%
Disapprove	57%	59%	53%	57%	58%	60%
No opinion	1%	2%	10%	7%	8%	8%

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his job as President?

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009			
<i>Whites</i>	38%	61%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	7%	93%	*
November 6-9, 2008			
<i>Whites</i>	27%	72%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	5%	94%	1%
February 1-3, 2008			
<i>Whites</i>	38%	60%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	12%	88%	*
January 14-17, 2008			
<i>Whites</i>	40%	58%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	12%	86%	2%
October 12-14, 2007			
<i>Whites</i>	41%	56%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	15%	81%	4%
October 10-12, 2007			
<i>Whites</i>	42%	56%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	12%	87%	1%

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	Ap- prove	Disap- prove		Ap- prove	Disap- prove		Ap- prove	Disap- prove
<u>2006</u>								
Mar 10-12	36%	60%	Jul 19-21	49%	47%	Oct 31-Nov 3	63%	29%
Feb 28-Mar 1	38%	60%	Jun 21-23	48%	49%	Oct 21-22	67%	28%
Feb 9-12	39%	56%	May 7-9	46%	51%	Oct 3-6	67%	28%
Jan 20-22	43%	54%	Apr 16-18	52%	45%	Sep 20-22	66%	30%
Jan 6-8	43%	54%	Mar 26-28	53%	44%	Sep 13-16	70%	26%
			Mar 5-7	49%	48%	Sep 2-4	66%	29%
<u>2005</u>			Feb 16-17	51%	46%	Jul 29-31	71%	23%
Dec 16-18	41%	56%	Jan 29-Feb 1	49%	48%	Jul 26-28	69%	26%
Dec 9-11	42%	55%	Jan 9-11	59%	38%	Jul 5-8	76%	18%
Nov 11-13	37%	60%	Jan 2-5	60%	35%	Jun 28-30	76%	19%
Oct 28-30	41%	56%				Jun 21-23	73%	21%
Oct 21-23	42%	55%	<u>2003</u>			Jun 7-8	74%	18%
Sep 16-18	40%	58%	Dec 15-16	63%	34%	May 28-29	77%	17%
Sep 8-11	46%	51%	Dec 5-7	55%	43%	Apr 29-May 1	77%	20%
Aug 28-30	45%	52%	Nov 14-16	50%	47%	Apr 5-7	76%	19%
Aug 5-7	45%	51%	Oct 24-26	53%	42%	Mar 23-24	79%	17%
Jul 23-24	49%	48%	Oct 10-12	56%	40%	Mar 8-9	80%	14%
Jun 24-26	45%	53%	Sep 19-21	50%	47%	Mar 1-3	81%	14%
Jun 16-19	47%	51%	Aug 25-26	59%	37%	Feb 8-10	82%	14%
May 20-22	46%	50%	Jul 25-27	58%	38%	Jan 25-27	84%	13%
Apr 29-May 1	48%	49%	Jun 27-29	61%	36%	Jan 11-14	83%	15%
Apr 1-2	48%	48%	Jun 9-10	62%	34%			
Mar 18-20	52%	44%	May 30-Jun 1	64%	32%	<u>2001</u>		
Feb 25-27	52%	45%	Apr 22-23	70%	26%	Dec 14-16	86%	11%
Jan 14-16	51%	46%	Apr 5-6	70%	27%	Nov 26-27	87%	8%
Jan 7-9	52%	44%	Mar 29-30	71%	26%	Nov 2-4	87%	9%
			Mar 22-23	71%	25%	Oct 19-21	88%	9%
<u>2004</u>			Mar 14-15	58%	38%	Oct 5-6	87%	10%
Dec 17-19	49%	46%	Feb 24-26	57%	37%	Sep 21-22	90%	6%
Nov 19-21	55%	42%	Feb 7-9	61%	34%	Sep 14-15	86%	10%
Oct 29-31	48%	47%	Jan 31-Feb 2	61%	35%	Sep 7-10	51%	39%
Oct 23-24	51%	46%	Jan 23-25	60%	36%	Aug 24-26	55%	36%
Oct 14-16	51%	47%	Jan 10-12	58%	37%	Aug 10-12	57%	35%
Oct 9-10	47%	49%	Jan 3-5	63%	32%	Aug 3-5	55%	35%
Oct 1-3	50%	48%				Jul 10-11	57%	35%
Sep 24-26	54%	44%	<u>2002</u>			Jun 8-10	55%	35%
Sep 3-5	52%	46%	Dec 16-17	63%	33%	May 18-20	56%	36%
Aug 23-25	49%	47%	Dec 9-10	63%	32%	Apr 20-22	62%	29%
Jul 30-Aug 1	48%	49%	Nov 23-24	65%	28%	Mar 9-11	58%	29%
			Nov 8-10	68%	27%	Feb 9-11	57%	25%

15. Looking back on George W. Bush's eight years in office, in general, would you say his presidency was a success or a failure? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 524 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>Success</u>	<u>Failure</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	31%	68%	1%
Whites	38%	62%	*
Blacks	5%	95%	*
August 6-8, 2007* ^	49%	57%	3%
Jan. 19-21, 2007*	39%	55%	6%

*QUESTION WORDING IN 2007: Since the start of 2001 when George W. Bush became president, in general, would you say his presidency has been a success or failure?

^ Asked of half sample.

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	<u>Success</u>	<u>Failure</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2006 Jan 20-22*	46	52	2
2005 Oct 28-30	42	55	3
2005 Aug 28-30*	47	51	2

*Asked of a half sample.

TRENDS FOR COMPARISON:

Bush Administration First Year: Do you consider the first year of the Bush administration to be a -- [ROTATED: success (or a failure)]?

	<u>Success</u>	<u>Failure</u>	<u>Too soon to tell (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2002 Jan 25-27	83	11	3	3

Bush Administration First Six Months: Do you consider the first six months of the Bush administration to be a -- [ROTATED: success (or a failure)]?

	<u>Success</u>	<u>Failure</u>	<u>Too soon to tell (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2001 Aug 3-5*	56	32	7	5

Clinton Administration: Since the start of 1993 when Bill Clinton became president, in general, would you say his presidency has been a success or a failure?

	<u>Success</u>	<u>Failure</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2000 Aug 11-12	68	29	3
1999 Jan 22-24	77	20	3
1999 Jan 15-17	81	16	3
1998 Jan 24-25	70	26	4
1998 Jan 23-24	71	25	4
1997 Oct 27-29*	70	25	5
1996 Aug 30-Sep 1**	64	31	5
1996 Aug 16-18**	57	38	5
1996 Aug 5-7*	64	30	6
1994 Dec 2-5***	44	50	6

* Asked of half sample.

** WORDING: "Looking back on Bill Clinton's first term in office, in general, would you say his presidency has been a success or a failure?"

*** WORDING: "Looking back on Bill Clinton's first two years in office, in general, would you say his presidency has been a success or a failure?"

George H.W. Bush Administration: Looking back on George Bush's four years in office, in general, would you say his Presidency was a success or a failure?

	<u>Success</u>	<u>Failure</u>	<u>Mixed (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1993 Jan 8-11	53	33	12	2

15. Looking back on George W. Bush's eight years in office, in general, would you say his presidency was a success or a failure? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 524 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)
16. (IF SUCCESS) Which of the following was the main reason for Bush's success -- his own personal strengths, or events in the world that worked to his advantage?

Jan. 12-15, 2009
Total Whites Blacks

Success due to personal strengths	18%	24%	2%
Success due to events in the world	12%	13%	3%
Success due to other factors	*	1%	*
Failure	68%	62%	95%
No opinion	1%	1%	*

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Jan. 8-11, 1993

GEORGE H.W. BUSH	
Success due to personal strengths	22%
Success due to events in the world	27%
Success due to other factors	4%
Mixed (vol.)	12%
Failure	33%
No opinion	2%

15. Looking back on George W. Bush's eight years in office, in general, would you say his presidency was a success or a failure? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 524 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)
17. (IF FAILURE) Which of the following was the main reason for Bush's failure -- his own personal shortcomings, or circumstances that were beyond his control?

Jan. 12-15, 2009
Total Whites Blacks

Failure due to personal shortcomings	44%	41%	62%
Failure due to circumstances	22%	19%	31%
Failure due to other factors	1%	1%	1%
Success	31%	38%	5%
No opinion	1%	*	1%

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Jan. 8-11, 1993

GEORGE H.W. BUSH	
Failure due to personal shortcomings	19%
Failure due to circumstances	11%
Failure due to other factors	3%
Mixed (vol.)	12%
Success	53%
No opinion	2%

18. In your view, is George W. Bush one of the greatest presidents, a good but not great president, an average president, or a poor president (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 515 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>One of the greatest</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	3%	17%	35%	46%	*
<i>Whites</i>	3%	19%	36%	42%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	*	8%	28%	63%	*

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	<u>One of the greatest</u>	<u>Good</u>	<u>Average</u>	<u>Poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
BILL CLINTON 2001 Jan 10-11	10	38	32	19	1
GEORGE H.W. BUSH 1993 Jan. 13-14	5	30	49	15	1
RONALD REAGAN 1989 Jan. 9-10	11	37	37	15	1

19. Thinking back to the presidential election in 2000, when George W. Bush ran against Al Gore, do you think the country would be better off, worse off or about the same if Gore had become president instead of Bush? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 515 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>Better off</u>	<u>Worse off</u>	<u>About the same</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	50%	27%	22%	*
<i>Whites</i>	43%	34%	23%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	78%	5%	14%	2%

20. Which of the following comes closer to your view of the budget deficit -- the government should run a deficit if necessary when the country is in a recession and is at war, or the government should balance the budget even when the country is in a recession and is at war?

	<u>Run a deficit</u>	<u>Balance the budget</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	33%	65%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	36%	62%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	21%	78%	2%

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	<u>Run a deficit if necessary</u>	<u>Balance the budget</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
(NA) 2002 Jan 11-14*	51	46	3

*Asked of half sample

21. How would you rate the economic conditions in the country today -- as very good, somewhat good, somewhat poor, or very poor?

<u>January 12-15, 2009</u>					
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Whites</u>	<u>Blacks</u>		
Very good	2%	2%	2%		
Somewhat good	11%	10%	9%		
Somewhat poor	36%	37%	29%		
Very poor	50%	51%	60%		
No opinion	*	*	*		
	<u>Dec. 19-21 2008</u>	<u>Oct. 30-Nov. 1 2008</u>	<u>Oct. 3-5 2008*</u>	<u>Sept. 19-21 2008</u>	<u>Aug 23-24 2008</u>
Very good	2%	3%	2%	1%	4%
Somewhat good	6%	13%	14%	18%	21%
Somewhat poor	27%	29%	31%	34%	32%
Very poor	66%	54%	53%	47%	43%
No opinion	*	2%	*	*	*
	<u>June 4-5 2008</u>	<u>Mar. 14-16 2008</u>	<u>Jan. 14-17 2008</u>	<u>Dec. 6-9 2007</u>	<u>Sept. 7-9 2007</u>
Very good	3%	4%	4%	6%	9%
Somewhat good	19%	22%	36%	40%	45%
Somewhat poor	39%	35%	40%	33%	28%
Very poor	39%	40%	19%	21%	17%
No opinion	*	*	*	1%	*
	<u>Aug. 6-8 2007</u>	<u>May 4-6 2007</u>	<u>Mar. 9-11 2007</u>	<u>Jan. 19-21 2007</u>	<u>Nov. 3-5 2006</u>
Very good	11%	18%	10%	15%	8%
Somewhat good	45%	43%	42%	48%	41%
Somewhat poor	26%	25%	31%	23%	32%
Very poor	17%	14%	15%	13%	18%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	<u>Oct. 27-29 2006</u>	<u>Sep. 23-24 2006</u>	<u>Aug.30-Sep. 2 2006</u>	<u>Jun. 14-15 2006</u>	<u>May 7-9 2006</u>
Very good	13%	12%	9%	9%	10%
Somewhat good	49%	47%	35%	42%	42%
Somewhat poor	24%	26%	34%	31%	26%
Very poor	13%	15%	22%	16%	21%
No opinion	1%	*	*	2%	1%

*Asked of half sample

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	<u>Very good</u>	<u>Some- what good</u>	<u>Some- what poor</u>	<u>Very poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Total good</u>	<u>Total poor</u>
2006 Mar 10-12	13	46	26	15	*	59	41
2005 Sep 8-11*	7	46	34	13	*	53	47
2005 Apr 29-May 1	5	45	33	16	1	50	49
2004 Dec 17-19	8	45	28	19	*	53	47
2004 Jan 29-Feb 1	5	47	28	19	1	52	47
2003 Dec 5-7	7	50	30	12	1	57	42
2003 Oct 10-12	4	40	37	19	*	44	56
2003 Mar 14-15	2	33	39	25	1	35	64
2003 Feb 24-26	3	31	43	22	1	34	65
2002 Dec 9-10	3	41	41	14	1	44	55
2002 Oct 21-22	3	38	42	16	1	41	58
2002 Sep 20-22	5	49	35	11	*	54	46
2002 Jul 26-28	5	46	37	12	*	51	49
2002 Jun 28-30	5	53	33	9	*	58	42
2002 Apr 5-7	6	55	30	9	*	61	39
2002 Jan 11-14	7	50	32	10	1	57	42
2001 Dec 14-16	5	45	37	12	1	50	49
2001 Sep 21-22	7	50	34	8	1	57	42
2001 Apr 20-22	10	57	25	7	1	67	32
2001 Feb 9-11	16	64	16	3	1	80	19
2001 Jan 15-16	24	58	14	4	*	82	18
2000 Jun 6-7	39	46	9	5	1	85	14
2000 Mar 10-12	42	44	10	3	1	86	13
1999 Jun 25-27	34	50	10	6	*	84	16
1999 Jan 8-10	41	48	8	3	*	89	11
1998 Jul 7-8	29	50	15	5	1	79	20
1998 Jan 25-26	24	57	14	4	1	81	18
1998 Jan 24-25	24	57	13	5	1	81	19
1998 Jan 23-24	24	57	15	4	*	81	19
1997 Oct 27-29	24	55	15	4	2	79	19
1997 Aug 22-25	17	52	21	9	1	69	30

*Asked of a half sample.

22. How long do you think it will take for the economy to recover from its current problems -- within the next six months, six months to a year, one to two years, two to three years, three to four years, or longer than four years?

	<u>January 12-15, 2009</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Whites</u>	<u>Blacks</u>
Within the next six months	1%	1%	1%
Six months to a year	12%	11%	8%
One to two years	27%	28%	25%
Two to three years	23%	23%	18%
Three to four years	12%	12%	20%
Longer than four years	24%	25%	29%
No opinion	*	*	*

23. Do you think the Democrats or the Republicans are more responsible for the country's current economic problems?

	<u>Democrats</u>	<u>Republicans</u>	<u>Both equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	22%	50%	20%	6%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	25%	47%	18%	8%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	6%	65%	23%	6%	1%

24. Would you favor or oppose a proposal to attempt to stimulate the economy by increasing federal government spending on construction projects and economic assistance to some Americans by about eight hundred billion dollars?

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	58%	40%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	55%	43%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	67%	32%	2%
December 19-21, 2008	56%	42%	2%

25. And if that economic stimulus plan also included tax cuts for individuals and businesses, would you favor or oppose that proposal?

	<u>Favor</u>	<u>Oppose</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	71%	28%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	71%	28%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	81%	18%	1%

26. Which of the following do you think is more likely to improve economic conditions -- increased federal government spending on construction projects and economic assistance to some Americans, or tax cuts for individuals and businesses?

	<u>Increased spending</u>	<u>Tax cuts</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	44%	55%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	44%	55%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	34%	64%	2%

27. If Congress passes an economic stimulus plan, do you think that the projects that the government will spend money on will mostly be useful projects that will benefit the economy, or mostly be projects that are included for purely political reasons and will have no economic impact?

	<u>Projects to benefit the economy</u>	<u>Projects for political reasons</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	57%	42%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	54%	45%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	63%	33%	4%

28. Under one economic stimulus plan, most taxpayers would have their taxes cut by at least five hundred dollars. If your taxes were cut by that much, what would you do with that money -- spend it, save or invest it, pay off bills, or donate it to charity?

	<u>Spend it</u>	<u>Save or invest it</u>	<u>Pay off bills</u>	<u>Donate to charity</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	20%	30%	47%	3%	*
<i>Whites</i>	20%	30%	47%	3%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	15%	34%	49%	1%	1%

29. As you may know, last fall Congress and President Bush approved a government program that would spend up to seven hundred billion dollars to provide assistance to banks and other large financial institutions. Based on what you have read or heard about this program, do you think it has or has not done what it was supposed to do to help the economy? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 524 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>January 12-15, 2009</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Whites</u>	<u>Blacks</u>
Has done what it was supposed to do to help the economy	14%	11%	12%
Has not done what it was supposed to do to help the economy	86%	89%	87%
No opinion	1%	1%	*

30. As you may know, last fall Congress and President Bush approved a government program that would spend up to seven hundred billion dollars to provide assistance to banks and other large financial institutions. About half that money has already been spent. Do you think Congress and President-elect Obama should or should not provide the remaining money to banks and other financial institutions? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 515 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>January 12-15, 2009</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Whites</u>	<u>Blacks</u>
Should provide remaining money	38%	36%	42%
Should not provide remaining money	61%	62%	57%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%

BASED ON 476 RESPONDENTS WHO ARE EMPLOYED FULL-TIME OR PART-TIME --
 SAMPLING ERROR: +/-4.5% PTS.

32. (IF EMPLOYED) If your supervisor at your place of employment said it was necessary to cut the pay of all workers in order to keep the business from going bankrupt, would you voluntarily accept a ten percent pay cut without any reduction in the amount of work you have to do, or would you not accept that proposal?

	<u>January 12-15, 2009</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Whites</u>	<u>Blacks</u>
Yes, would accept 10% pay cut	65%	69%	45%
No, would not accept 10% pay cut	31%	26%	51%
Self-employed or not applicable (vol.)	4%	5%	3%
No opinion	*	*	1%

33. (IF EMPLOYED) And if your supervisor said it was necessary to cut the pay of all workers in order to keep the business from going bankrupt, would you voluntarily accept a 25 percent pay cut in exchange for working four days a week, or would you not accept that proposal?

	<u>January 12-15, 2009</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Whites</u>	<u>Blacks</u>
Yes, would accept 25% pay cut	43%	48%	35%
No, would not accept 25% pay cut	53%	49%	60%
Self-employed or not applicable (vol.)	4%	4%	3%
No opinion	*	*	2%

34. In the Middle East situation, are your sympathies more with the Israelis or more with the Palestinians?

	<u>Israelis</u>	<u>Palestinians</u>	<u>Both (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	60%	17%	5%	15%	4%
<i>Whites</i>	63%	15%	4%	15%	3%
<i>Blacks</i>	52%	19%	6%	14%	8%

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	<u>Israelis</u>	<u>Palestinians</u>	<u>Both (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2006 Feb 6-9	59	15	5	13	8
2005 Feb 7-10	52	18	7	12	11
2004 Feb 9-12	55	18	7	12	8
2003 May 19-21	46	16	12	14	12
2003 Feb 3-6	58	13	6	11	12
2002 Sep 2-4	47	14	6	19	14
2002 Jun 21-23	49	14	8	19	10
2002 May 20-22	49	15	7	19	10
2002 Apr 22-24	47	13	9	18	13
2002 Apr 5-7	50	15	9	17	9
2002 Mar 8-9	43	14	6	20	17
2002 Feb 4-6	55	14	6	14	11
2001 Dec 14-16	51	14	5	17	13
2001 Sep 14-15	55	7	4	20	14
2001 Aug 10-12	41	13	7	18	21
2001 Feb 1-4	51	16	7	14	12
2000 Oct 13-14	41	11	9	18	21
2000 Jul 6-9	41	14	5	18	22
2000 Jan 25-26	43	13	5	21	18
1999 Jul 22-25	43	12	11	19	15
1998 Dec 4-6	46	13	5	22	14
1997 Aug 12-13	38	8	5	19	30
1996 Nov 21-24	38	15	6	14	27
1993 Sep 10-12	42	15	6	17	20
1991 Feb	64	7	19	--	10
1989 Aug	50	14	15	--	21
1988 May 13-15	37	15	22	--	27

May 1988-April 2002 and February 3-6, 2003 WORDING: In the Middle East situation, are your sympathies more with the Israelis or more with the Palestinian Arabs?

35. Do you think Israel was justified or unjustified in taking military action against Hamas and the Palestinians in the area known as Gaza?

	<u>Yes, justified</u>	<u>No, not justified</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	63%	31%	6%
<i>Whites</i>	66%	28%	6%
<i>Blacks</i>	47%	45%	8%

36. And do you think the amount of military force that Israel has used in Gaza has been too much, too little, or about right?

	<u>Too much</u>	<u>Too little</u>	<u>About right</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	38%	14%	43%	5%
<i>Whites</i>	35%	13%	48%	4%
<i>Blacks</i>	47%	15%	30%	8%

37. As you may know, since 2001, the United States has held people from other countries who are suspected of being terrorists at a detention facility in Guantanamo Bay in Cuba. Based on what you have heard or read, do you think the U.S. should continue to operate this facility or do you think the U.S. should close this facility and transfer the prisoners to other facilities?

	<u>Continue to operate</u>	<u>Close facility</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	47%	51%	2%
<i>Whites</i>	50%	48%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	40%	58%	1%

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	<u>Continue to operate</u>	<u>Close facility</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Jun 16-19	58	36	6

38. Do you think that relations between blacks and whites will always be a problem for the United States, or that a solution will eventually be worked out?

	<u>Always a problem</u>	<u>Solution will be worked out</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	45%	55%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	41%	59%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	52%	47%	*
November 6-9, 2008	43%	56%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	41%	57%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	44%	55%	1%
March 26-April 2, 2008	42%	56%	2%
<i>Whites</i>	41%	57%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	51%	48%	1%
January 14-17, 2008	44%	55%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	43%	57%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	52%	47%	1%

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	<u>Always a problem</u>	<u>Eventually worked out</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>All Adults</u>			
2005 Jun 6-25	46	50	4
2004 Jun 9-30	45	51	4
2002 Dec 9-2003 Feb 11	47	50	3
2001 Mar 23-May 16	47	48	5
1999 Sep 24-Nov 16	52	44	4
1998 Aug 13-Oct 26	56	41	3
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	55	42	3
1995 Oct 19-22	68	29	3
1995 Oct 5-7	54	41	5
1993 Aug 23-25	53	44	3
<u>Blacks</u>			
2005 Jun 6-25	57	41	2
2004 Jun 9-30	57	41	2
2002 Dec 9-2003 Feb 11	59	39	2
2001 Mar 23-May 16	66	32	2
1999 Sep 24-Nov 16	59	36	5
1998 Aug 13-Oct 26	58	38	4
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	58	38	4
1995 Oct 19-22	64	33	3
1995 Oct 5-7	55	41	4
1993 Aug 23-25	55	44	1
<u>Whites</u>			
2005 Jun 6-25	46	51	3
2004 Jun 9-30	44	52	4
2005 Jun 6-25	45	52	3
2004 Jun 9-30	44	52	4
2002 Dec 9-2003 Feb 11	46	51	3
2001 Mar 23-May 16	45	50	5
1999 Sep 24-Nov 16	51	45	4
1998 Aug 13-Oct 26	57	41	2
1997 Jan 4-Feb 28	54	42	4
1995 Oct 19-22	68	29	3
1995 Oct 5-7	55	40	5
1993 Aug 23-25	53	44	3

39. Looking ahead over the next four years, do you think the quality of life for African-Americans will get better, stay about the same, or get worse?

	<u>Get better</u>	<u>Stay about the same</u>	<u>Get worse</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	52%	42%	6%	*
<i>Whites</i>	48%	46%	5%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	61%	34%	4%	*

40. Would you say that Obama's election is or is not a dream come true for you personally?

	<u>Dream come true</u>	<u>Not a dream come true</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	40%	60%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	28%	71%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	89%	11%	*
November 6-9, 2008	35%	63%	2%
<i>Whites</i>	28%	70%	2%
<i>Blacks</i>	80%	20%	*

41. Martin Luther King gave his famous "I Have a Dream Speech" at a civil rights march in Washington in 1963. In your view, do you think the U.S. has fulfilled the vision King outlined in that speech, or don't you think so?

	<u>Yes</u>	<u>No</u>	<u>Unfamiliar with King/Speech (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	49%	49%	1%	*
<i>Whites</i>	46%	52%	1%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	69%	30%	*	*
March 26-April 2, 2008	34%	59%	4%	3%
<i>Whites</i>	35%	58%	4%	3%
<i>Blacks</i>	34%	64%	*	2%

42. (IF U.S. HAS NOT FULFILLED KING'S SPEECH) Do you think the U.S. can eventually fulfill the vision in King's speech, or don't you think so?

QUESTIONS 41 AND 42 COMBINED

	<u>January 12-15, 2009</u>			<u>Mar. 26-Apr. 2, 2008</u>		
	<u>Total</u>	<u>Whites</u>	<u>Blacks</u>	<u>Total</u>	<u>Whites</u>	<u>Blacks</u>
Yes, vision fulfilled (from Q.28)	49%	46%	69%	34%	35%	34%
No, vision not fulfilled but can eventually be fulfilled	33%	34%	24%	41%	41%	41%
No, vision not fulfilled and will not be eventually fulfilled	16%	18%	6%	19%	18%	24%
Unfamiliar with King/Speech (vol.)	1%	1%	*	4%	4%	*
No opinion	*	*	*	2%	2%	1%

43. Did the life of Martin Luther King influence you a great deal, somewhat, not very much, or not at all?

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Not very much</u>	<u>Not at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	26%	40%	19%	15%	*
<i>Whites</i>	18%	42%	22%	18%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	71%	24%	2%	3%	*
March 26-April 2, 2008	25%	40%	19%	16%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	17%	43%	22%	19%	*
<i>Blacks</i>	69%	24%	3%	4%	*

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	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Somewhat</u>	<u>Not very much</u>	<u>Not at all</u>
January 26-27, 1998	20%	38%	22%	20%

44. As you may know, the Voting Rights Act was passed in the 1960s to prevent state and local governments from using rules and procedures which prevented many blacks from voting. Do you think the Voting Rights Act is necessary today to make sure that blacks are allowed to vote, or do you think the Voting Rights Act is no longer necessary?

	Necessary <u>today</u>	No longer <u>necessary</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 12-15, 2009	52%	47%	1%
<i>Whites</i>	49%	50%	1%
<i>Blacks</i>	65%	33%	1%