



Interviews with 1,026 adult Americans, conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on June 26-28, 2009. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

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Approve 61%
Disapprove 37%
No opinion 3%

| | May 14-17 2009 | Apr. 23-26 2009 | Apr. 3-5 2009 | Mar. 12-15 2009 | Feb. 18-19 2009 | Feb. 7-8 2009 |
|------------|-------------------|--------------------|------------------|--------------------|--------------------|------------------|
| Approve | 62% | 63% | 66% | 64% | 67% | 76% |
| Disapprove | 35% | 33% | 30% | 34% | 29% | 23% |
| No opinion | 3% | 5% | 3% | 2% | 4% | 1% |

2. Apart from whether you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president, what do you think of Obama as a person? Would you say you approve of him or disapprove of him?

June 26-28
2009

Approve 79%
Disapprove 17%
No opinion 4%

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George W. Bush

| | <u>As a person</u> | | | <u>Job approval</u> | | |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>No opinion</u> | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
| 2003 Nov 14-16 | 68 | 27 | 5 | 50 | 47 | 3 |
| 2001 Jul 10-11 | 70 | 25 | 5 | 57 | 35 | 8 |
| 2001 Feb 9-11 | 65 | 27 | 8 | 57 | 25 | 18 |
| 2001 Jan 5-7* | 60 | 33 | 7 | 65 | 26 | 9 |

* WORDING: Apart from whether you approve or disapprove of the way George W. Bush is handling his transition to the presidency, what do you think of Bush as a person? Would you say you approve or disapprove of him?

Bill Clinton

| | <u>As a person</u> | | | <u>Job approval</u> | | |
|----------------|--------------------|-------------------|-------------------|---------------------|-------------------|-------------------|
| | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>No opinion</u> | <u>Approve</u> | <u>Disapprove</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
| 2001 Jan 5-7 | 41 | 54 | 5 | 65 | 31 | 4 |
| 2000 Jul 14-16 | 36 | 59 | 5 | 59 | 37 | 4 |
| 2000 Apr 28-30 | 29 | 63 | 8 | 59 | 39 | 2 |
| 2000 Mar 10-12 | 35 | 59 | 6 | 63 | 34 | 3 |
| 2000 Feb 25-27 | 32 | 63 | 5 | 57 | 39 | 4 |
| 2000 Jan 17-19 | 36 | 59 | 5 | 62 | 35 | 3 |
| 2000 Jan 7-10 | 31 | 64 | 5 | 63 | 35 | 2 |
| 1999 Oct 8-10 | 35 | 62 | 3 | 56 | 39 | 5 |

QUESTIONS 1 AND 2 COMBINED

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2009

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|---|-----|
| Approve of Obama handling job and approve of him as person | 58% |
| Approve of Obama handling job but don't approve of him as person | 3% |
| Disapprove of Obama handling job but approve of him as person | 19% |
| Disapprove of Obama handling job and don't approve of him as person | 17% |
| No opinion | 3% |

3. Thinking about the following characteristics and qualities, please say whether you think it applies or doesn't apply to Barack Obama. (RANDOM ORDER)

| | <u>Applies</u> | <u>Does not Apply</u> | <u>No Opinion</u> |
|---|----------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Is a strong and decisive leader | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 70% | 28% | 1% |
| February 18-19, 2009* | 80% | 19% | 1% |
| December 19-21, 2008* | 76% | 23% | 1% |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2008 (RV) | 64% | 35% | 1% |
| March 14-16, 2008 (RV) | 59% | 39% | 3% |
| Generally agrees with you on issues you care about | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 56% | 42% | 1% |
| February 18-19, 2009* | 63% | 36% | 1% |
| December 19-21, 2008* | 68% | 31% | 1% |
| March 14-16, 2008 | 57% | 41% | 2% |
| Inspires confidence | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 72% | 27% | 1% |
| February 18-19, 2009* | 75% | 24% | 1% |
| December 19-21, 2008* | 82% | 18% | * |
| Has a clear plan for solving this country's problems | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 53% | 45% | 2% |
| February 18-19, 2009* | 64% | 36% | * |
| Tough enough to handle a crisis | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 64% | 33% | 2% |
| February 18-19, 2009 | 73% | 24% | 3% |
| Can manage the government effectively | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 61% | 38% | 1% |
| December 19-21, 2008* | 76% | 23% | 1% |

*ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE

4. Do you think it is good for the country or bad for the country that the Democratic party is in control of Congress?

| | June 26-28 <u>2009</u> | Dec. 6-9 <u>2007*</u> | June 22-24 <u>2007</u> | | |
|------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|
| Good for country | 50% | 53% | 57% | | |
| Bad for country | 41% | 37% | 31% | | |
| Neither (vol.) | 7% | 8% | 7% | | |
| No opinion | 2% | 2% | 5% | | |
| | May 4-6 <u>2007</u> | Mar. 9-11 <u>2007</u> | Jan. 11 <u>2007</u> | Dec. 15-17 <u>2006</u> | Nov.17-19 <u>2006</u> |
| Good for country | 51% | 59% | 58% | 61% | 67% |
| Bad for country | 37% | 29% | 30% | 32% | 24% |
| Neither (vol.) | 9% | 6% | 6% | 4% | 6% |
| No opinion | 3% | 6% | 6% | 4% | 3% |

*ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE

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Do you think it will be good for the country or bad for the country that the Republican party will be in control of Congress?

| | <u>Good</u> | <u>Bad</u> | <u>Neither (vol.)</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|-----------------|-------------|------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| Nov. 9-10, 1994 | 50% | 26% | 8% | 16% |

5. Which of the following is the most important issue facing the country today? (RANDOM ORDER)

| | June 26-28 <u>2009</u> | Apr. 23-26 <u>2009</u> | Mar. 12-15 <u>2009</u> |
|----------------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| The economy | 51% | 55% | 63% |
| The federal budget deficit | 14% | 10% | 8% |
| Health care | 13% | 9% | 9% |
| The wars in Iraq and Afghanistan | 8% | 9% | 6% |
| Terrorism | 5% | 6% | 5% |
| Education | 4% | 6% | 5% |
| Energy policy | 4% | 3% | 2% |
| Other (vol.) | 1% | 1% | 1% |
| No opinion (vol.) | * | 1% | * |

6. (IF ECONOMY) And which of those items I just mentioned is the most important issue OTHER THAN THE ECONOMY facing the country today?

QUESTIONS 5 AND 6 COMBINED

| | June 26-28 <u>2009</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------------|
| Health care | 27% |
| Deficit | 23% |
| Wars | 21% |
| Education | 11% |
| Terrorism | 10% |
| Energy | 6% |
| Other (vol.) | 2% |
| No opinion (vol.) | 1% |

7. Do you generally support or oppose President Obama's overall economic plan?

| | June 26-28 <u>2009</u> | Mar. 12-15 <u>2009</u> |
|------------|---------------------------|---------------------------|
| Support | 58% | 65% |
| Oppose | 39% | 34% |
| No opinion | 2% | 1% |

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| | <u>Support</u> | <u>Oppose</u> | <u>Mixed (vol.)</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|----------------------------|----------------|---------------|---------------------|-------------------|
| <u>Bill Clinton</u> | | | | |
| 1993 June 29-30 | 44% | 49% | 2% | 5% |
| 1993 May 21-23 | 44% | 45% | 5% | 6% |
| 1993 Apr 22-24 | 55% | 39% | 2% | 4% |
| 1993 March 22-24 | 55% | 34% | 6% | 5% |
| 1993 Feb 26-28 | 59% | 29% | 6% | 6% |
| 1993 Feb 17 | 79% | 16% | 4% | 1% |

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

| | <u>June 26-28</u> <u>2009</u> | <u>Apr. 23-26</u> <u>2009</u> | <u>Mar. 12-15</u> <u>2009</u> | <u>Jan. 12-15</u> <u>2009</u> | |
|---------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|----------------------------------|--|
| Very good | 2% | 1% | 1% | 2% | |
| Somewhat good | 18% | 16% | 10% | 11% | |
| Somewhat poor | 39% | 46% | 41% | 36% | |
| Very poor | 41% | 37% | 48% | 50% | |
| No opinión | * | * | * | * | |

| | <u>Dec. 19-21</u> <u>2008</u> | <u>Oct. 30-Nov. 1</u> <u>2008</u> | <u>Oct. 3-5</u> <u>2008*</u> | <u>Sept. 19-21</u> <u>2008</u> | <u>Aug 23-24</u> <u>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</u> <u>2008</u> | <u>Mar. 14-16</u> <u>2008</u> | <u>Jan. 14-17</u> <u>2008</u> | <u>Dec. 6-9</u> <u>2007</u> | <u>Sept. 7-9</u> <u>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</u> <u>2007</u> | <u>May 4-6</u> <u>2007</u> | <u>Mar. 9-11</u> <u>2007</u> | <u>Jan. 19-21</u> <u>2007</u> | <u>Nov. 3-5</u> <u>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</u> <u>2006</u> | <u>Sep. 23-24</u> <u>2006</u> | <u>Aug.30-Sep. 2</u> <u>2006</u> | <u>Jun. 14-15</u> <u>2006</u> | <u>May 7-9</u> <u>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.

9. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of economic conditions today?

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| The economy is starting to recover from the problems it faced in the past year or so | 12% |
| An economic recovery has not started but conditions have stabilized and are not getting any worse | 48% |
| The economy is still in a downturn and conditions are continuing to worsen | 40% |
| No opinion | * |

10. Would you say that the following represent a very serious threat to the United States, a moderately serious threat, just a slight threat, or no threat at all? (RANDOM ORDER)

| | <u>Very serious threat</u> | <u>Moderately serious threat</u> | <u>Just a slight threat</u> | <u>No threat at all</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|--------------------|----------------------------|----------------------------------|-----------------------------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| North Korea | | | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 52% | 28% | 14% | 6% | * |
| Iran | | | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 43% | 36% | 13% | 7% | * |
| China | | | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 20% | 35% | 26% | 18% | 1% |
| Russia | | | | | |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 11% | 28% | 29% | 31% | 1% |

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| | <u>Very serious</u> % | <u>Moderately Serious</u> % | <u>Slight threat</u> % | <u>Not a threat</u> % | <u>Not Sure</u> % |
|----------------------------|--------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|----------------------|
| China | | | | | |
| January 15-16, 2003 | 22 | 35 | 22 | 18 | 3 |
| May 22-23, 2002 | 19 | 32 | 19 | 26 | 4 |
| June 14-15, 2000 | 32 | 28 | 18 | 15 | 7 |
| May 26-27, 1999 | 46 | 27 | 14 | 9 | 4 |
| May 8-9, 1996 | 25 | 38 | 18 | 13 | 6 |
| June, 1983** | 17 | 35 | 28 | 17 | 3 |
| Russia | | | | | |
| January 15-16, 2003 | 11 | 25 | 27 | 34 | 3 |
| May 22-23, 2002 | 7 | 24 | 25 | 41 | 3 |
| June 14-15, 2000 | 19 | 33 | 24 | 18 | 6 |
| May 26-27, 1999 | 24 | 33 | 20 | 20 | 3 |
| May 8-9, 1996 | 14 | 36 | 23 | 24 | 3 |
| November, 1989* | 19 | 36 | 23 | 18 | 4 |
| November, 1985* | 32 | 44 | 17 | 5 | 2 |
| December, 1983* | 49 | 39 | 7 | 3 | 2 |
| September, 1983* | 52 | 35 | 10 | 2 | 1 |
| June, 1983* | 65 | 25 | 6 | 3 | 1 |
| Iran | | | | | |
| January 15-16, 2003 | 35 | 31 | 19 | 13 | 2 |
| May 22-23, 2002 | 50 | 30 | 10 | 8 | 2 |
| June 14-15, 2000 | 29 | 36 | 18 | 11 | 6 |
| May 26-27, 1999 | 27 | 32 | 20 | 15 | 6 |
| May 8-9, 1996 | 29 | 36 | 19 | 10 | 6 |
| North Korea | | | | | |
| January 15-16, 2003 | 45 | 31 | 13 | 9 | 2 |
| May 22-23, 2002 | 19 | 27 | 23 | 26 | 5 |
| June 14-15, 2000 | 17 | 29 | 23 | 20 | 11 |

* Russia was asked as the "Soviet Union" from 1983 to 1989.

** China was asked as "Communist China" in 1983

11. As you may know, Sonia Sotomayor is the federal judge nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Sotomayor serving on the Supreme Court, or not?

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Vote in favor of Sotomayor 47%
Not vote in favor 40%
No opinion 13%

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Samuel Alito: *As you may know, Samuel Alito is the federal judge nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Alito serving on the Supreme Court, or not?*

| | <u>Yes, vote in favor</u> | <u>No, not</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 2006 Jan 20-22 | 54 | 30 | 16 |
| 2006 Jan 6-8 | 49 | 30 | 21 |
| 2005 Dec 9-11 | 49 | 29 | 22 |
| 2005 Nov 7-10 | 50 | 25 | 25 |

Harriet Miers: *As you may know, Harriet Miers is the person nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Miers serving on the Supreme Court, or not?*

| | <u>Yes, vote in favor</u> | <u>No, not</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|-----------------|---------------------------|----------------|-------------------|
| 2005 Oct 21-23 | 42 | 43 | 15 |
| 2005 Oct 13-16* | 44 | 36 | 20 |

* Asked of a half sample.

John Roberts: *As you may know, John Roberts is a federal judge who has been nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Roberts serving on the Supreme Court, or not?*

| | <u>Yes, vote in favor</u> | <u>No, would not</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 2005 Sep 16-18* | 60 | 26 | 14 |
| 2005 Sep 8-11* | 58 | 27 | 15 |
| 2005 Aug 28-30 | 52 | 26 | 22 |
| 2005 Aug 5-7** | 51 | 28 | 21 |
| 2005 Jul 22-24** | 59 | 22 | 19 |

* WORDING: As you may know, John Roberts is a federal judge who has been nominated to serve as chief justice on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Roberts serving as chief justice on the Supreme Court, or not?

**WORDING: As you may know, John Roberts is the person nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Roberts serving on the Supreme Court, or not?

Ruth Bader Ginsburg: *Ruth Bader Ginsburg is a federal judge who has been nominated by President Clinton to serve on the United States Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Ginsburg serving on the Supreme Court, or not?*

| | <u>Yes, vote in favor</u> | <u>No, would not</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1993 Jun 18-21 | 53 | 14 | 33 |

Clarence Thomas: *Clarence Thomas is the federal judge nominated to serve on the Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Clarence Thomas serving on the Supreme Court, or not?*

| | <u>Yes, vote in favor</u> | <u>No, would not</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1991 Jul 11-14 | 52 | 17 | 31 |

Robert Bork: *Robert Bork is a federal judge who has been nominated by President Reagan to serve on the U.S. Supreme Court. Would you like to see the Senate vote in favor of Bork serving on the U.S. Supreme Court, or not?*

| | <u>Yes, vote in favor</u> | <u>No, would not</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|-------------------|---------------------------|----------------------|-------------------|
| 1987 Sep 1-13* | 38 | 35 | 26 |
| 1987 Aug 24-Sep 2 | 31 | 25 | 44 |

*Gallup for Times Mirror.

12. Suppose the upcoming confirmation hearings indicate that Sonia Sotomayor is qualified and has no ethical problems. Do you think U.S. Senators would be justified or unjustified in voting against her if they disagree with her stance on current issues such as abortion or gun control?

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| | |
|-------------|-----|
| Justified | 47% |
| Unjustified | 49% |
| No opinion | 5% |

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| | <u>Justified</u> | <u>Unjustified</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|----------------|------------------|--------------------|-------------------|
| 2005 Aug 28-30 | 40 | 54 | 6 |

WORDING: Suppose the upcoming confirmation hearings indicate that John Roberts is qualified and has no ethical problems. Do you think U.S. Senators would be justified or unjustified in voting against him if they disagree with his stance on current issues such as abortion or affirmative action?

13. What do you think is more likely to occur during the Senate confirmation hearings for Sotomayor -- a relatively easy process in which Republicans and Democrats come to an agreement, or a major fight between Republicans and Democrats that would drag on for a long time?

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| | |
|-------------------------|-----|
| Relatively easy process | 38% |
| Major fight | 60% |
| No opinion | 3% |

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| <i>John Roberts</i> | <u>Relatively easy process</u> | <u>Major fight</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|---------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|
| 2005 Jul 22-24 | 42 | 51 | 7 |

WORDING: Which do you think is more likely to occur during the Senate confirmation hearings for Roberts a relatively easy process in which Republicans and Democrats come to an agreement, or a major fight between Republicans and Democrats that would drag on for a long time?

14. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama has responded to the recent events in Iran?

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| | |
|------------|-----|
| Approve | 61% |
| Disapprove | 36% |
| No opinion | 4% |

15. Do you think the comments that Barack Obama has made in criticizing the current leaders of Iran have gone too far, have not gone far enough, or are about right?

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| | |
|----------------|-----|
| Gone too far | 9% |
| Not far enough | 33% |
| About right | 56% |
| No opinion | 2% |

16. Do you think the U.S. government should openly support the demonstrators who are protesting the recent election in that country, or do you think the U.S. should not directly intervene in the situation in Iran?

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| | |
|------------------------|-----|
| Openly support | 24% |
| Not directly intervene | 74% |
| Other (vol.) | * |
| No opinion | 1% |

17. Do you think the U.S. should or should not take any economic or diplomatic action against Iran?

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| | |
|------------|-----|
| Should | 42% |
| Should not | 54% |
| No opinion | 4% |

18. Do you think the U.S. government should or should not take any military action against Iran?

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| | |
|------------|-----|
| Should | 16% |
| Should not | 82% |
| No opinion | 2% |

19. Do you think the results of the recent election that were released by the Iranian government were an accurate reflection of how Iranians voted, or do you think those results were a fraud that were an attempt by the government to steal the election?

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| | |
|---------------------|-----|
| Accurate reflection | 10% |
| Fraud | 82% |
| No opinion | 7% |

20. What has your personal reaction been to the way the Iranian leaders have dealt with the demonstrators in that country? Would you say you are outraged, or are you upset but not outraged, or are you not upset?

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| | |
|------------------------|-----|
| Outraged | 30% |
| Upset but not outraged | 55% |
| Not upset | 13% |
| No opinion | 2% |

21. From everything you have heard or read so far, do you favor or oppose Barack Obama's plan to reform health care?

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| | |
|------------|-----|
| Favor | 51% |
| Oppose | 45% |
| No opinion | 4% |

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| | <u>Favor</u> | <u>Oppose</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|----------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|
| <u>Bill Clinton</u> | | | |
| 1994 Jul 15-17 | 40% | 55% | 5% |
| 1994 Jun 25-28 | 43% | 49% | 8% |
| 1994 May 20-22 | 46% | 49% | 5% |
| 1994 Apr 16-18 | 43% | 47% | 10% |
| 1994 Mar 28-30 | 44% | 47% | 9% |
| 1994 Feb 26-28 | 46% | 48% | 6% |
| 1994 Jan 28-30 | 57% | 38% | 5% |
| 1994 Jan 15-17 | 56% | 38% | 6% |
| 1993 Nov 19-21 | 52% | 41% | 7% |
| 1993 Nov 2-4 | 52% | 40% | 8% |
| 1993 Oct 28-30 | 45% | 45% | 10% |
| 1993 Sep 24-26 | 59% | 33% | 8% |
| 1993 Sep 10-12* | 54% | 31% | 14% |

*WORDING: From what you have heard or read so far, do you favor or oppose Bill Clinton's ideas about reforming health care?

22. Do you think the country's health care system needs a great deal of reform, only some reform, or no reform at all?

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2009 2007

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| Great deal | 55% | 62% |
| Only some | 40% | 32% |
| No reform at all | 5% | 6% |
| No opinion | * | * |

CNN/TIME TRENDS

| | June 30- July 1 <u>1998</u> | Feb. - Mar. <u>1995</u> | Aug- Sept. <u>1994</u> | April <u>1993</u> |
|------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|------------------------------|----------------------|
| Great deal | 52 | 50 | 51 | 63 |
| Only some | 40 | 44 | 38 | 34 |
| No reform at all | 4 | 4 | 9 | 3 |
| Not sure | 4 | 2 | 2 | - |

23. Who do you trust more to handle major changes in the country's health care system – Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 507 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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| Obama | 49% |
| Republicans in Congress | 38% |
| Both equally/neither (vol.) | 12% |
| No opinion | 1% |

24. Who do you trust more to handle major changes in the country's health care system – Barack Obama or the Democrats in Congress? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 519 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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| Obama | 40% |
| Democrats in Congress | 34% |
| Both equally/neither (vol.) | 24% |
| No opinion | 1% |

25. From what you know of the health care reforms which the Administration is working on, do you think the amount you pay for medical care would increase, decrease, or remain the same?

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| Increase | 54% |
| Decrease | 17% |
| Remain the same | 26% |
| No opinion | 3% |

CNN/TIME TRENDS

| | <u>Increase</u> | <u>Decrease</u> | <u>Remain the same</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|----------------|-----------------|-----------------|------------------------|-------------------|
| 1994 Mar 2-3 | 70% | 9% | 17% | 4% |
| 1994 Jan 17-18 | 59% | 11% | 24% | 6% |
| 1993 Oct 28 | 58% | 8% | 23% | 11% |
| 1993 Sept 23 | 61% | 9% | 25% | 5% |
| 1993 Sept 8-9 | 56% | 16% | 23% | 5% |

26. From what you know of those health care reforms, do you think you and your family would, in general, be better off, worse off or about the same?

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| Better off | 20% |
| Worse off | 35% |
| About the same | 44% |
| No opinion | 1% |

CNN/TIME TRENDS

| | <u>Better off</u> | <u>Worse off</u> | <u>About the same</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|----------------|-------------------|------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|
| 1994 Aug 17-18 | 20% | 31% | 45% | 4% |
| 1994 July | 15% | 31% | 50% | 4% |
| 1994 Jan | 18% | 29% | 50% | 3% |
| 1993 Oct | 20% | 29% | 48% | 3% |
| 1993 Sept | 20% | 21% | 57% | 2% |

27. From what you know of those health care reforms, do you think you and members of your family would or would not be able to receive care from the same doctors you see now?

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| Would be able to receive care from same doctors | 65% |
| Would not be able to receive care from same doctors | 31% |
| No opinion | 4% |

28. From what you know of those health care reforms, do you think any of the health insurance companies that provide coverage to you and members of your family would stay in business, or would any of those insurance companies go out of business?

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| Insurance companies would stay in business | 54% |
| Insurance companies would go out of business | 42% |
| No opinion | 4% |

29. In general, do you think you understand most of the major points in Obama's health care proposals, or are you confused by what you have read or heard about the plan so far?

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| Understand | 51% |
| Confused | 46% |
| No opinion | 2% |

30. Do you think increased involvement by the federal government in the country's health care system will improve the current system, make it worse, or have no effect?

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|-------------|-------------|
| June 26-28 | Nov. 2-4 |
| <u>2009</u> | <u>2007</u> |

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| Improve | 42% | 38% |
| Make it worse | 42% | 42% |
| No effect | 15% | 19% |
| No opinion | 1% | 2% |

CNN/TIME TRENDS

| | Jan. 17-18 <u>1994</u> | Oct. 28 <u>1993</u> | Sep. 23 <u>1993</u> |
|----------------|---------------------------|------------------------|------------------------|
| Improve | 38 | 33 | 43 |
| Make worse | 33 | 36 | 31 |
| Have no effect | 21 | 18 | 18 |
| Not sure | 8 | 13 | 8 |

31. Do you favor or oppose the U.S. war in Iraq?

| | <u>Favor</u> | <u>Oppose</u> | <u>No Opinion</u> |
|-------------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|
| June 26-28, 2009 | 34% | 64% | 2% |
| May 14-17, 2009 | 34% | 65% | 1% |
| April 3-5, 2009 | 35% | 63% | 1% |
| Feb. 18-19, 2009 | 31% | 67% | 2% |
| Dec. 1-2, 2008 | 36% | 63% | 1% |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2008 | 33% | 64% | 3% |
| October 17-19, 2008 | 32% | 66% | 1% |
| October 3-5, 2008 | 34% | 65% | * |
| September 5-7, 2008 | 37% | 61% | 2% |
| Aug. 29-31, 2008 | 35% | 64% | 1% |
| Aug. 23-24, 2008 | 33% | 66% | 1% |
| July 27-29, 2008 | 33% | 66% | 1% |
| June 26-29, 2008 | 30% | 68% | 2% |
| June 4-5, 2008 | 30% | 68% | 1% |
| April 28-30, 2008 | 30% | 68% | 3% |
| Mar. 14-16, 2008 | 32% | 66% | 2% |
| Feb. 1-3, 2008 | 34% | 64% | 2% |
| Jan. 14-17, 2008 | 34% | 63% | 3% |
| Jan. 9-10, 2008 | 33% | 65% | 3% |
| Dec. 6-9, 2007 | 31% | 68% | 1% |
| Nov. 2-4, 2007 | 31% | 68% | 1% |
| Oct. 12-14, 2007 | 34% | 65% | 2% |
| September 7-9, 2007 | 34% | 63% | 4% |
| August 6-8, 2007 | 33% | 64% | 3% |
| June 23-24, 2007 | 30% | 67% | 3% |
| May 4-6, 2007 | 34% | 65% | 1% |
| April 10-12, 2007 | 32% | 66% | 2% |
| March 9-11, 2007 | 32% | 63% | 4% |
| January 11, 2007 | 31% | 67% | 2% |
| December 15-17, 2006 | 31% | 67% | 2% |
| November 17-19, 2006 | 33% | 63% | 4% |
| November 3-5, 2006 | 33% | 61% | 6% |
| October 27-29, 2006 | 38% | 59% | 3% |
| October 20-22, 2006 | 34% | 64% | 3% |
| October 13-15, 2006 | 34% | 64% | 2% |
| October 6-8, 2006 | 32% | 62% | 7% |
| Sep. 29-October 2, 2006 | 38% | 61% | 1% |
| September 23-24, 2006 | 40% | 59% | 1% |
| August 30-Sep. 2, 2006 | 39% | 58% | 2% |
| August 18-20, 2006 | 35% | 61% | 3% |
| August 2-3, 2006 | 36% | 60% | 3% |
| June 14-15, 2006 | 38% | 54% | 8% |

(CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS ON FOLLOWING PAGE)

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

| | <u>Favor</u> | <u>Oppose</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|-----------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 2006 Feb 9-12 * | 40 | 56 | 4 |
| 2005 Jun 16-19 | 39 | 59 | 2 |
| 2005 Mar 18-20* | 47 | 47 | 6 |
| 2004 Nov 19-21* | 48 | 46 | 6 |
| 2003 Oct 24-26 | 54 | 43 | 3 |
| 2003 Apr 22-23 | 71 | 26 | 3 |
| 2003 Apr 10 | 72 | 22 | 6 |
| 2003 Apr 7-8 | 68 | 28 | 4 |
| 2003 Apr 5-6 | 70 | 27 | 3 |
| 2003 Mar 29-30 | 70 | 27 | 3 |
| 2003 Mar 24-25 | 71 | 27 | 2 |
| 2003 Mar 22-23 | 72 | 25 | 3 |

Would you favor or oppose invading Iraq with U.S. ground troops in an attempt to remove Saddam Hussein from power?

| | <u>Favor</u> | <u>Oppose</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|-------------------|--------------|---------------|-------------------|
| 2003 Mar 14-15* | 64 | 33 | 3 |
| 2003 Mar 3-5 | 59 | 37 | 4 |
| 2003 Feb 24-26 | 59 | 37 | 4 |
| 2003 Feb 17-19 | 59 | 38 | 3 |
| 2003 Feb 7-9 | 63 | 34 | 3 |
| 2003 Jan 31-Feb 2 | 58 | 38 | 4 |
| 2003 Jan 23-24 | 52 | 43 | 5 |
| 2003 Jan 10-12 | 56 | 38 | 6 |
| 2003 Jan 3-5* | 56 | 39 | 5 |
| 2002 Dec. 19-22* | 53 | 38 | 9 |
| 2002 Dec 16-17* | 58 | 35 | 7 |
| 2002 Dec 9-10 | 55 | 39 | 6 |
| 2002 Nov 23-24 | 58 | 37 | 5 |
| 2002 Nov 8-10 | 59 | 35 | 6 |
| 2002 Oct 21-22 | 54 | 40 | 6 |
| 2002 Oct 14-17* | 56 | 37 | 7 |
| 2002 Oct 3-6 | 53 | 40 | 7 |
| 2002 Sept 20-22* | 57 | 38 | 5 |

Would you favor or oppose sending American ground troops to the Persian Gulf in an attempt to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq?

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| 2002 Sept 13-16 | 57 | 39 | 4 |
| 2002 Sept 5-8* | 58 | 36 | 6 |
| 2002 Sept 2-4 | 58 | 36 | 6 |
| 2002 Aug 19-21 | 53 | 41 | 6 |
| 2002 June 17-19* | 61 | 31 | 8 |

Would you favor or oppose sending American troops back to the Persian Gulf in order to remove Saddam Hussein from power in Iraq?

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|-------------------|----|----|---|
| 2001 Nov 26-27 | 74 | 20 | 6 |
| 2001 Feb 19-21 | 52 | 42 | 6 |
| 1993 June 29-30 | 70 | 27 | 3 |
| 1992 Mar 30-Apr 5 | 55 | 40 | |

32. As you may know, the U.S. plans to withdraw most of its combat troops from Iraqi cities and towns and the Iraqi military and police forces will be responsible for maintaining order there. The U.S. will continue to have combat troops in the rest of the country. Do you favor or oppose this plan?

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| Favor | 73% |
| Oppose | 26% |
| No opinion | 1% |

33. Just your best guess -- do you think that the level of violence in Iraqi cities will increase, decrease, or remain the same when the U.S. withdraws most of its combat troops from Iraqi cities and towns?

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2009

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|-----------------|-----|
| Increase | 52% |
| Decrease | 15% |
| Remain the same | 32% |
| No opinion | 1% |

34. If there is a significant increase in the number of attacks on Iraqi citizens by insurgents after the U.S. withdraws its troops from Iraqi cities, do you think the U.S. should or should not send combat troops back into those cities?

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| Should | 35% |
| Should not | 63% |
| No opinion | 2% |

35. Do you think North Korea is or is not capable of launching a missile that would be able to hit the United States, including Hawaii?

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| Is | 72% |
| Is not | 26% |
| No opinion | 2% |

36. If North Korea attempted to hit the United States with a missile, would you favor or oppose military action against North Korea?

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| Favor | 92% |
| Oppose | 7% |
| No opinion | 1% |

37. Would you say you were a fan of Michael Jackson, or not?

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| Yes, a fan | 51% |
| No, not a fan | 49% |
| No opinion | * |

38. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view: ?

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| There should be no restrictions on owning guns | 14% |
| There should be some restrictions on owning guns | 71% |
| All guns should be illegal for everyone except police and authorized personnel | 15% |
| No opinion | * |

FOR COMPARISON:
CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

| | Apr 26-27 <u>1999</u> | Feb 8-9 <u>1999</u> | May 8-10 <u>1998*</u> | Dec 17-19 <u>1993*</u> |
|-------------------|--------------------------|------------------------|--------------------------|---------------------------|
| No restrictions | 4% | 5% | 8% | 6% |
| Some restrictions | 72% | 75% | 77% | 73% |
| All guns illegal | 22% | 18% | 24% | 20% |
| No opinion | 2% | 4% | 1% | 1% |

38. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view:?

39. (IF RESTRICTIONS) Do you think there should be major restrictions on owning guns or only minor restrictions

QUESTIONS 38 AND 39 COMBINED

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| There should be no restrictions on owning guns (Q.38) | 14% |
| There should only be minor restrictions on owning guns | 36% |
| There should be major restrictions on owning guns | 34% |
| All guns should be illegal for everyone except police and authorized personnel(Q.38) | 15% |
| No opinion | 1% |

40. As you may know, Barack Obama is trying to quit smoking but he says that he still occasionally has a cigarette. Does the fact that Obama still occasionally has a cigarette make you feel more favorable toward him, less favorable toward him, or does that not change your view of him??

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| More favorable | 5% |
| Less favorable | 8% |
| No change | 87% |
| No opinion | * |

41. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view about Obama and smoking:

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| You would prefer that Obama stop smoking completely and never have a cigarette again | 32% |
| You think it is OK if Obama occasionally has a cigarette, as long as he no longer habitually smokes every day | 18% |
| You would not mind if Obama habitually smoked everyday | 48% |
| Other (vol.) | 1% |
| No opinion | 1% |

42. Do you think the fact that Obama has not been able to stop smoking completely mostly shows something about Obama's personal character, or mostly shows how difficult it is to give up smoking?

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| Shows something about Obama | 12% |
| Shows how difficult it is to quit | 85% |
| Both (vol.) | 3% |
| No opinion | 1% |

43. As you may know, South Carolina Governor Mark Sanford recently admitted that he had committed adultery and reimbursed the state for the cost of a government-funded trip during which he saw the woman with whom he was having an affair. Do you think Sanford should resign his position as Governor, or do you think he should continue to serve as Governor? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 507 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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| Resign | 54% |
| Continue to serve | 44% |
| No opinion | 2% |

44. If a person holding high public office committed adultery, do you think that person lacks the personal character and integrity to hold office, or not? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 519 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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| Lacks personal character | 50% |
| Does not | 49% |
| No opinion | 1% |

NBC/WALL STREET JOURNAL POLL TREND

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|----------------|-----------------------------|-----------------|-------------------|
| | <u>Yes, lacks character</u> | <u>Does not</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
| 1999 Jan 16-18 | 21% | 73% | 6% |

45. Do you strongly agree, somewhat agree, somewhat disagree, or strongly disagree with the following statement? Whether a politician commits adultery is important for the voters to know. (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 519 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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|-------------------|-----|
| Strongly agree | 39% |
| Somewhat agree | 22% |
| Somewhat disagree | 15% |
| Strongly disagree | 22% |
| Neither (vol.) | 2% |
| No opinion | * |

GORDON BLACK/USA TODAY TREND

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|---------------|-----------------------|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|----------------|
| | <u>Strongly agree</u> | <u>Some-what agree</u> | <u>Neither (vol.)</u> | <u>Some-what disagree</u> | <u>Strongly disagree</u> | <u>No opinion</u> | <u>Refused</u> |
| 1991 Dec 9-10 | 35 | 18 | 2 | 23 | 20 | 1 | * |

46. In a case currently before the Supreme Court, a city decided to use a test to determine which firefighters should receive promotions. No black firefighters scored high enough on the test to earn a promotion, so the city decided not to offer promotions to the white firefighters who got the highest scores on the test. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view: (RANDOM ORDER)

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| Those white firefighters were victims of discrimination and should get the promotions based on the test results | 65% |
| Because no black firefighters got high scores, the city should use a new test to make sure that blacks were not victims of discrimination | 31% |
| No opinion | 4% |

47. Now I am going to read you the names of some of the men who signed the Declaration of Independence and other Founding Fathers. Please tell me whether you have an extremely favorable opinion, very favorable opinion, moderately favorable opinion, or an unfavorable opinion of each one, or whether you don't know enough about that person to have an opinion at all.

| | <u>Extremely favorable</u> | <u>Very favorable</u> | <u>Moderately favorable</u> | <u>Unfavorable</u> | <u>Don't know enough</u> | <u>No opinion</u> |
|--|----------------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------------|--------------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| George Washington June 26-28, 2009 | 41% | 33% | 17% | 1% | 9% | * |
| John Adams June 26-28, 2009 | 20% | 24% | 22% | 2% | 32% | * |
| Thomas Jefferson June 26-28, 2009 | 31% | 28% | 22% | 4% | 14% | * |
| John Hancock June 26-28, 2009 | 17% | 20% | 23% | 2% | 37% | 1% |
| Benjamin Franklin June 26-28, 2009 | 41% | 29% | 17% | 1% | 12% | * |

48. And who would you say is your favorite Founding Father?

| | <u>June 26-28 2009</u> |
|-------------------|----------------------------|
| George Washington | 38% |
| Benjamin Franklin | 22% |
| Thomas Jefferson | 15% |
| John Adams | 5% |
| John Hancock | 2% |
| Other (vol.) | 13% |
| No opinion | 5% |