



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?

June 26-28
2009

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%

FOR COMPARISON:
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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

June 26-28
2009

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%

FOR COMPARISON:
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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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2009

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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2009

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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2009

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

FOR COMPARISON:
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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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

Favor	51%
Oppose	45%
No opinion	4%

FOR COMPARISON:
CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<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

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

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	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.)

June 26-28
2009

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.)

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

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

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?

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?

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?

June 26-28

2009

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?

June 26-28

2009

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?

June 26-28

2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

Favor	92%
Oppose	7%
No opinion	1%

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

June 26-28
2009

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

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

June 26-28
2009

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

June 26-28
2009

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??

June 26-28
2009

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:

June 26-28
2009

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?

June 26-28
2009

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.)

June 26-28

2009

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.)

June 26-28

2009

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

NBC/WALL STREET JOURNAL POLL TREND

	<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.)

June 26-28

2009

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

GORDON BLACK/USA TODAY TREND

	<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)

June 26-28
2009

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%