



Interviews with 1,038 adult Americans, conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on October 16-18, 2009. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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4. 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>
The Republican Party				
October 16-18, 2009	36%	54%	1%	8%
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	41%	50%	1%	8%
April 23-26, 2009	39%	55%	*	6%
February 18-19, 2009	39%	54%	*	7%
December 1-2, 2008	41%	52%	*	6%
November 6-9, 2008	38%	54%	1%	8%
October 17-19, 2008 (RV)	43%	51%	*	6%
Sept. 5-7, 2008 (RV)	48%	45%	*	6%
Aug. 29-31, 2008 (RV)	43%	50%	*	6%
Aug. 23-24, 2008 (RV)	48%	46%	*	6%
April 28-30, 2008	38%	53%	1%	7%
January 9-10, 2008	41%	48%	2%	10%
June 22-24, 2007	36%	53%	1%	9%
March 9-11, 2007	42%	45%	1%	12%
November 3-5, 2006	38%	52%	1%	10%
September 22-24, 2006	44%	51%	*	5%
The Democratic Party				
October 16-18, 2009	53%	41%	*	6%
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	52%	39%	1%	8%
April 23-26, 2009	51%	44%	*	4%
February 18-19, 2009	58%	36%	*	5%
December 1-2, 2008	60%	34%	*	5%
November 6-9, 2008	62%	31%	1%	6%
October 17-19, 2008 (RV)	53%	42%	*	5%
Sept. 5-7, 2008 (RV)	51%	40%	1%	8%
Aug. 29-31, 2008 (RV)	59%	36%	*	4%
Aug. 23-24, 2008 (RV)	52%	40%	1%	7%
April 28-30, 2008	56%	35%	1%	8%
January 9-10, 2008	55%	34%	2%	8%
June 22-24, 2007	51%	38%	1%	9%
March 9-11, 2007	51%	34%	1%	13%
November 3-5, 2006	53%	35%	*	11%
September 22-24, 2006	56%	39%	*	5%

(RV) BASED ON REGISTERED VOTERS

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The Republican Party

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Dec 16-18	45	48	*	7
2005 Oct 13-16	40	50	2	8
2005 Sep 8-11	45	45	1	9
2005 Jul 22-24	46	45	1	8
2005 Apr 1-2	50	44	1	5
2005 Feb 25-27	51	42	1	6
2005 Feb 4-6	56	39	1	4
2004 Sep 13-15	55	41	*	4
2004 Sep 3-5	53	40	*	7
2004 Aug 23-25*	50	41	1	8
2004 Jul 30-Aug 1	47	45	1	7
2004 Jul 19-21*	50	43	*	7
2004 Jan 29-Feb 1	48	45	*	7
2004 Jan 2-5	52	40	1	7
2003 Sep 8-10	50	44	--	6
2003 Mar 29-30	56	33	1	10
2003 Jan 3-5	51	38	1	10
2002 Dec 16-17	51	38	1	10
2002 Nov 8-10	54	38	*	8
2002 Oct 21-22	53	35	*	12
2002 Sep 5-8	54	40	0	6
2002 Jul 26-28	55	36	*	9
2002 Jan 11-14	61	30	*	9
2001 Sep 7-10	47	48	*	5
2000 Nov 13-15	49	43	*	8
2000 Aug 4-5	54	37	1	8
2000 Jul 25-26	49	39	*	12
2000 Jan 7-10	53	41	*	6
1999 Nov 18-21	50	44	*	6
1999 Apr 30-May 2	47	44	*	9
1999 Feb 19-21	45	46	0	9
1999 Feb 12-13	40	54	1	5
1999 Feb 4-8	45	47	*	8
1999 Jan 8-10	40	52	*	8
1998 Dec 19-20	31	57	*	12
1998 Dec 15-16	43	47	2	8
1997 Oct 27-29	50	42	*	8
1996 Aug 30-Sep 1**	50	45	*	5
1996 Aug 16-18**	55	41	1	2
1996 Aug 5-7**	51	44	*	5
1996 Apr 9-10	52	41	*	7
1995 Apr 17-19	52	42	*	6
1992 Jul 6-8**	53	39	*	8

*Asked of a half sample.

**Based on registered voters.

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The Democratic Party

	<u>Favorable</u>	<u>Unfavorable</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Dec 16-18	46	45	*	9
2005 Oct 13-16	52	36	2	10
2005 Sep 8-11	47	41	1	11
2005 Jul 22-24	52	38	1	9
2005 Apr 1-2	50	42	*	8
2005 Feb 25-27	52	41	1	6
2005 Feb 4-6	46	47	*	7
2004 Sep 13-15	49	45	--	6
2004 Sep 3-5	50	41	*	9
2004 Aug 23-25*	54	36	1	9
2004 Jul 30-Aug 1	55	37	1	7
2004 Jul 19-21*	48	41	1	10
2004 Jan 29-Feb 1	59	34	*	7
2004 Jan 2-5	47	44	*	9
2003 Sep 8-10	49	45	--	6
2003 Mar 29-30	49	39	1	11
2003 Jan 3-5	52	36	1	11
2002 Dec 16-17	52	37	1	10
2002 Nov 8-10	48	42	0	10
2002 Oct 21-22	58	30	*	12
2002 Sep 5-8	56	38	0	6
2002 Jul 26-28	55	34	*	11
2002 Jan 11-14	55	33	*	12
2001 Sep 7-10	56	38	*	6
2000 Nov 13-15	53	38	1	8
2000 Aug 4-5	53	38	1	8
2000 Jul 25-26	56	35	*	9
2000 Jan 7-10	61	33	*	6
1999 Nov 18-21	51	41	*	8
1999 Apr 30-May 2	53	37	1	9
1999 Feb 19-21	55	37	0	8
1999 Feb 12-13	56	38	*	6
1999 Feb 4-8	57	37	*	6
1999 Jan 8-10	57	35	*	8
1998 Dec 19-20	57	30	*	13
1998 Dec 15-16	58	32	2	8
1997 Oct 27-29	54	39	*	7
1996 Aug 30-Sep 1**	60	36	*	4
1996 Aug 16-18**	55	41	1	3
1996 Aug 5-7**	57	38	1	4
1996 Apr 9-10	55	38	0	7
1995 Apr 17-19	51	43	*	6
1992 Jul 6-8**	54	38	*	8

*Asked of a half sample

**Based on registered voters.

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 540 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009*</u>	Apr. 3-5 <u>2009</u>	Feb. 7-8 <u>2009*</u>		
Approve	29%	35%	29%		
Disapprove	69%	63%	71%		
No opinion	2%	2%	*		
	Oct. 3-5 <u>2008*</u>	Sept. 19-21 <u>2008</u>	July 27-29 <u>2008</u>	Oct. 12-14 <u>2007</u>	Oct. 6-8 <u>2006</u>
Approve	23%	22%	22%	22%	28%
Disapprove	76%	78%	77%	75%	63%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	3%	9%

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GALLUP AND CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis-approve</u>	<u>No opinion</u>		<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis-approve</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<u>2006</u>				<u>2002</u>			
2006 Mar 13-16	27	65	8	2002 Aug 5-8	46	43	11
2006 Feb 6-9	25	65	10	2002 Jul 26-28	53	36	11
2006 Jan 9-12	27	67	7	2002 Jul 9-11	54	36	10
<u>2005</u>				2002 Jun 3-6	52	38	10
2005 Dec 5-8	29	63	8	2002 May 6-9	57	33	10
2005 Nov 7-10	29	63	8	2002 Apr 8-11	57	34	9
2005 Oct 13-16	29	64	7	2002 Mar 4-7	63	28	9
2005 Sep 12-15	35	59	6	2002 Feb 4-6	62	28	10
2005 Aug 8-11	36	58	6	2002 Jan 7-9	62	29	9
2005 Jul 7-10	36	58	6	<u>2001</u>			
2005 Jun 6-8	34	59	7	2001 Dec 6-9	72	19	9
2005 May 2-5	35	57	8	2001 Nov 8-11	73	19	8
2005 Apr 4-7	38	54	8	2001 Oct 11-14	84	10	6
2005 Mar 7-10	37	53	10	2001 Sep 7-10	42	44	14
2005 Feb 7-10	45	48	7	2001 Aug 16-19	50	37	13
2005 Jan 3-5	43	48	9	2001 Aug 3-5	47	42	11
<u>2004</u>				2001 Jul 19-22	49	37	14
2004 Dec 5-8	41	50	9	2001 Jun 11-17	51	34	15
2004 Nov 7-10	41	52	7	2001 May 10-14	49	34	17
2004 Oct 11-14	40	51	9	2001 Apr 6-8	55	32	13
2004 Sep 13-15	41	52	7	2001 Mar 5-7	55	28	17
2004 Aug 9-11	40	52	8	2001 Feb 1-4	53	32	15
2004 Jul 8-11	40	53	7	2001 Jan 10-14	50	40	10
2004 Jun 3-6	41	52	7	<u>2000</u>			
2004 May 2-4	41	52	7	2000 Dec 2-4	56	34	10
2004 Apr 5-8	43	51	6	2000 Oct 6-9	49	42	9
2004 Mar 8-11	42	51	7	2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	48	42	10
2004 Feb 9-12	41	51	8	2000 May 18-21	39	52	9
2004 Jan 12-15	48	45	7	2000 Jan 7-10	51	42	7
<u>2003</u>				<u>1999</u>			
2003 Dec 11-14	43	50	7	1999 Sep 23-26	37	56	7
2003 Nov 3-5	43	51	6	1999 Jul 13-14	39	51	10
2003 Oct 6-8	41	51	8	1999 Jun 11-13	41	53	6
2003 Sep 8-10	40	53	7	1999 Apr 13-14	45	47	8
2003 Aug 4-6	45	46	9	1999 Feb 12-13	41	54	5
2003 Jul 7-9	49	45	6	1999 Jan 15-17	50	46	4
2003 Jun 12-15	50	41	9	<u>1998</u>			
2003 May 5-7	49	44	7	1998 Dec 15-16	42	52	6
2003 Apr 7-9	58	33	9	1998 Nov 13-15	41	54	5
2003 Mar 3-5	48	44	8	1998 Oct 29-Nov 1	44	47	9
2003 Feb 3-6	50	39	11	1998 Oct 9-12	47	46	7
2003 Jan 13-16	49	40	11	1998 Oct 6-7	44	48	8
<u>2002</u>				1998 Sep 11-12	55	36	9
2002 Dec 5-8	50	40	10	1998 May 8-10	44	48	8
2002 Nov 11-14	47	39	14	1998 Apr 17-19	49	40	11
2002 Oct 3-6	50	40	10	1998 Feb 13-15	57	33	10
2002 Sep 5-8	52	40	8	1998 Jan 30-Feb 1	56	35	9
				1998 Jan 16-18	42	47	11

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 *Asked of half sample

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	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis- approve</u>	<u>No opinion</u>		<u>Approve</u>	<u>Dis- approve</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1997				1990			
1997 Dec 18-21	39	52	9	1990 Nov 2-4	26	63	11
1997 Oct 27-29	36	53	11	1990 Oct 25-28	24	68	8
1997 Aug 22-25	41	48	11	1990 Oct 18-21	23	64	13
1997 Jul 25-27	34	57	9	1990 Oct 11-14	28	65	7
1997 May 6-7	32	58	10	1988			
1997 Apr 18-20	30	59	11	1988 Sep 9-11	42	42	16
1997 Feb 24-26	37	48	15	1987			
1997 Jan 31-Feb 2	36	51	13	1987 Aug 24-Sep 2	42	49	9
1997 Jan 10-13	41	49	10	1986			
1996				1986 Apr 11-14	42	37	21
1996 Oct 26-29	34	51	15	1983			
1996 Aug 5-7	39	49	12	1983 Apr 29-May 2	33	43	24
1996 May 9-12	30	65	5	1982			
1996 Apr 9-10	35	57	8	1982 Jun 11-14	29	54	17
1995				1981			
1995 Sep 22-24	30	61	9	1981 Jun 19-22	38	40	22
1995 Aug 28-30	30	60	10	1980			
1995 Jul 7-9	35	55	10	1980 Jun 13-16	25	56	19
1995 May 11-14	34	57	9	1979			
1995 Apr 17-19	37	54	9	1979 Jun 1-4	19	61	20
1995 Mar 27-29	31	61	8	1978			
1995 Mar 17-19	32	59	9	1978 Sep 8-11	29	49	22
1995 Feb 24-26	35	53	12	1977			
1995 Feb 3-5	38	53	9	1977 Sep 9-12	35	44	21
1995 Jan 16-18	33	52	15	1977 Aug 5-8	36	44	20
1994				1977 Jun 3-6	34	42	24
1994 Dec 28-30	23	66	11	1977 May 20-23	40	40	20
1994 Oct 22-25	23	70	7	1977 Mar 25-28	36	42	22
1994 Oct 7-9	21	73	6	1976			
1994 Jul 15-17	27	65	8	1976 Jan 23-26	24	58	18
1994 Mar 25-27	29	63	8	1975			
1994 Feb 26-28	28	66	6	1975 Oct 31-Nov 3	28	54	18
1993				1975 Jun 27-30	29	54	17
1993 Nov 2-4	24	69	8	1975 Apr 18-21	38	48	14
1993 Aug 8-10	23	69	8	1975 Feb 28-Mar 3	32	50	18
1993 Jul 19-21	24	65	11	1974			
1993 Feb 26-28	27	54	19	1974 Oct 11-14	35	43	22
1992				1974 Aug 16-19	47	34	19
1992 Mar 3 ^	18	78	3	1974 Apr 12-15	30	47	23
1991							
1991 Oct 10-13	40	54	6				
1991 Jul 25-28	32	53	15				

^ Gallup/Newsweek

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democratic leaders in Congress are handling their job? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 498 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009*</u>	Apr. 23-26 <u>2009</u>	Feb 7-8 <u>2009*</u>	
Approve	38%	43%	60%	
Disapprove	59%	53%	39%	
No opinion	2%	5%	2%	
	Nov. 6-9 <u>2008</u>	Oct. 3-5 <u>2008*</u>	Sept. 19-21 <u>2008</u>	July 27-29 <u>2008</u>
Approve	47%	34%	44%	36%
Disapprove	50%	64%	54%	63%
No opinion	3%	1%	2%	1%

*Asked of a half sample.

FOR COMPARISON:

Do you approve or disapprove of what the Democratic leaders in the U.S. House and Senate have done so far this year?

	Dec. 6-9 <u>2007</u>	Oct. 12-14 <u>2007</u>	June 22-24 <u>2007</u>	May 4-6 <u>2007</u>	Mar. 9-11 <u>2007</u>
<i>Approve</i>	39%	43%	42%	49%	47%
<i>Disapprove</i>	56%	51%	49%	44%	40%
<i>No opinion</i>	6%	6%	9%	7%	13%

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republican leaders in Congress are handling their job? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 498 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009*</u>	Apr. 23-26 <u>2009</u>	Feb 7-8 <u>2009*</u>	Nov. 6-9 <u>2008</u>	Oct. 3-5 <u>2008*</u>
Approve	33%	31%	44%	24%	27%
Disapprove	66%	65%	55%	73%	71%
No opinion	1%	4%	1%	3%	2%

*Asked of a half sample.