

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

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>	Sept. 11-13 2009	Aug. 28-31 <u>2009</u>	July 31-Aug. 3 2009	June 26-28 <u>2009</u>	
Approve	55%	58%	53%	56%	61%	
Disapprove	43%	40%	45%	40%	37%	
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	4%	3%	
	May 14-17	Apr. 23-26	Apr. 3-5	Mar. 12-15	Feb. 18-19	Feb. 7-8
	<u>2009</u>	2009	<u>2009</u>	2009	2009	<u>2009</u>
Approve	62%	63%	66%	64%	67%	76%
Disapprove	35%	33%	30%	34%	29%	23%
No opinion	3%	5%	3%	2%	4%	1%

2. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree that Barack Obama has the personality and leadership qualities a President should have.

	Oct. 16-18 2009	Apr. 23-26 <u>2009</u>	Oct. 30-Nov. 1 2008	Sept. 19-21 2008*	June 4-5 <u>2008</u>	Jan. 14-17 2008
Agree	66%	75%	66%	64%	63%	59%
Disagree	33%	24%	34%	36%	36%	38%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	3%

\*Asked of a half sample.

3. Please tell me whether you agree or disagree with Barack Obama on the issues that matter most to you.

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>	Apr. 23-26 2009	Oct. 30-Nov. 1 2008	Sept. 19-21 2008*
Agree	48%	57%	60%	56%
Disagree	51%	41%	40%	43%
No opinion	2%	2%	*	1%

\*Asked of a half sample.

	Favor- <u>able</u>	Unfavor- <u>able</u>	Never <u>Heard of</u>	No <u>Opinion</u>
Barack Obama				
October 16-18, 2009	60%	39%	*	1%
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	64%	34%	*	2%
April 23-26, 2009	69%	29%	*	2%
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%
Joe Biden				
October 16-18, 2009	45%	40%	7%	8%
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	47%	33%	7%	13%
April 23-26, 2009	51%	34%	6%	9%
February 18-19, 2009	57%	29%	5%	9%
January 12-15, 2009	52%	26%	8%	13%
December 1-2, 2008	56%	28%	6%	10%
November 6-9, 2008	64%	25%	3%	8%
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

	Favor- able	Unfavor- able	Never <u>Heard of</u>	No Opinion
Michelle Obama				
October 16-18, 2009	64%	26%	*	9%
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	67%	22%	1%	9%
April 23-26, 2009	73%	18%	1%	8%
January 12-15, 2009	69%	16%	3%	12%
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%
Hillary Clinton				
October 16-18, 2009	65%	32%	*	3%
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	61%	35%	*	4%
April 23-26, 2009	64%	34%	1%	2%
December 1-2, 2008	66%	33%	*	1%
August 29-31, 2008	58%	40%	*	1%
August 23-24, 2008	56%	40%	*	4%
July 27-29, 2008	56%	42%	*	2%
June 26-29, 2008	53%	44%	*	3%
April 28-30, 2008	51%	46%	*	3%
February 1-3, 2008	52%	44%	*	*
January 9-10, 2008	53%	39%	1%	7%
September 7-9, 2007	53%	39%	1%	7%
June 23-24, 2007	51%	44%	*	4%
March 9-11, 2007	49%	44%	2%	5%
November 3-5, 2006	51%	40%	3%	7%
September 23-24, 2006	50%	45%	2%	4%
April 21-23, 2006	50%	42%	2%	6%

	Favor- <u>able</u>	Unfavor- <u>able</u>	Never <u>Heard of</u>	No <u>Opinion</u>
Bill Clinton				
October 16-18, 2009	64%	33%	*	4%
December 1-2, 2008	60%	38%	*	2%
August 23-24, 2008	53%	44%	*	2%
June 26-29, 2008	51%	46%	*	3%
April 28-30, 2008	53%	43%	1%	3%
February 1-3, 2008	55%	42%	*	3%
June 23-24, 2007	60%	36%	*	3%
March 9-11, 2007	58%	36%	1%	5%
September 23-24, 2006	60%	37%	*	3%
April 21-23, 2006	57%	38%	*	4%
Sarah Palin				
October 16-18, 2009	42%	51%	3%	4%
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	39%	48%	5%	8%
May 14-17, 2009	46%	43%	4%	7%
November 6-9, 2008	49%	43%	2%	6%
October 17-19, 2008 (RV)	51%	41%	2%	6%
October 3-5, 2008 (RV)	52%	40%	3%	5%
Sept. 19-21, 2008 (RV)	53%	35%	4%	7%
Sept. 5-7, 2008 (RV)	57%	27%	6%	10%
Aug. 29-31, 2008 (RV)	38%	21%	20%	21%
Former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Ron	nney			
October 16-18, 2009	36%	26%	17%	20%
May 14-17, 2009	42%	29%	12%	17%
July 27-29, 2008	41%	32%	13%	13%
February 1-3, 2008	38%	38%	9%	14%
January 9-10, 2008	31%	39%	11%	19%
September 7-9, 2007	28%	28%	24%	19%
June 22-24, 2007	27%	23%	26%	24%
March 9-11, 2007	18%	18%	42%	22%
Former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckab	ee			
October 16-18, 2009	43%	26%	13%	18%
May 14-17, 2009	45%	25%	13%	17%
February 1-3, 2008	38%	37%	9%	16%
January 9-10, 2008	38%	30%	12%	20%

	Favor- able	Unfavor- <u>able</u>	Never <u>Heard of</u>	No <u>Opinion</u>
Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty				
October 16-18, 2009	15%	13%	46%	26%
July 27-29, 2008 (RV)	14%	11%	51%	23%
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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#### **Hillary Clinton**

Hillary Clinton							
	Favor-	Unfavor-	No		Favor-	Unfavor-	No
	able	able	opinion	1000	able	able	opinion
2005				<u>1998</u> 1998 Aug 21-23	61	33	6
2005 Oct 21-23	54	41	5	e	60	33 36	4
	54 53	41 43		1998 Aug 10-12	60 60	36 35	4 5
2005 Jul 25-28			4	1998 Aug 7-8			
2005 May 20-22	55	39	6	1998 Feb 13-15	60	36	4
2005 Feb 25-27	53	41	6	1998 Jan 30-Feb 1	64	34	2
<u>2004</u>	- /	•		1998 Jan 24-25	61	33	6
2004 Jul 19-21*	56	38	6	<u>1997</u>	(0)		-
<u>2003</u>			_	1998 Jan 23-24	60	35	5
2003 Oct 24-26	51	44	5	1997 Dec 18-21	56	38	6
2003 Sep 19-21	54	40	6	1997 Oct 27-29	61	34	5
2003 Jun 27-29*	52	44	4	1997 Jun 26-29	51	42	7
2003 Jun 9-10	53	43	4	1997 Feb 24-26	51	42	6
2003 Mar 14-15	45	46	9	1997 Jan 31-Feb 2	55	39	6
2002				1997 Jan 10-13	56	37	7
2002 Dec 16-17	48	46	6	<u>1996</u>			
2002 Sep 23-26	47	44	9	1996 Oct 26-29***	49	43	8
2001				1996 Aug 28-29**	51	41	8
2001 Aug 3-5	51	44	5	1996 Aug 16-18**	47	48	5
2001 Mar 5-7	44	53	3	1996 Aug 5-7**	48	45	7
2001 Feb 19-21	49	44	7	1996 Jun 18-19	46	47	6
2001 Feb 1-4	52	43	5	1996 Mar 15-17	47	48	5
2000				1996 Jan 12-15	43	51	6
2000 Nov 13-15	56	39	5	1995			
2000 Oct 25-28	52	43	5	1995 Jul 7-9	50	44	6
2000 Aug 4-5	45	50	5	1995 Mar 17-19	49	44	7
2000 Feb 4-6	55	39	6	1995 Jan 16-18	50	44	6
1999	00	57	Ũ	1994	20		Ũ
1999 Dec 9-12	48	48	4	1994 Nov 28-29	50	44	6
1999 Sep 23-26	56	40	4	1994 Sep 6-7	48	47	5
1999 Aug 3-4	56	41	3	1994 Jul 15-17	48	46	6
1999 Jul 22-25	62	35	3	1994 Apr 23-24	56	40	4
1999 Jun 25-27	56	42	2	1994 Mar 25-27	52	40	6
1999 Juli 25-27 1999 Mar 5-7	65	31	4	1994 Mar 7-8	55	40	5
1999 Feb 19-21	65	31	4 5	1994 Jan 15-17	57	36	3 7
1999 Feb 19-21 1999 Feb 4-8	65 66	30 31	3		57	50	/
1999 Feb 4-8 1998	00	51	3	<u>1993</u> 1993 Nov 2-4	58	34	8
	(7	20	4				
1998 Dec 28-29	67	29	4	1993 Sep 24-26	62	27	11
1998 Oct 9-12***	63	33	4	1993 Aug 8-10	57	33	10
1998 Sep 14-15	61	33	6				

\*Asked of a half sample. \*\*Based on likely voters. \*\*\*Based on registered voters. 2002-March 2003 WORDING: New York Senator Hillary Rodham Clinton.

Bill Clinton							
	Favor-	Unfavor-	No		Favor-	Unfavor-	No
	able	able	opinion		able	able	opinion
2005							
2005 Oct 21-23	60	38	2	<u>1998</u>			
2005 Feb 4-6	56	41	3	1998 Jun 5-7	61	36	3
2004				1998 Mar 20-22	60	35	5
2004 Jul 19-21*	54	43	3	1998 Mar 16	60	37	3
2004 Jun 21-23	53	44	3	1998 Feb 20-22	64	34	2
2003				1998 Feb 13-15	58	39	3
2003 Jun 9-10	54	45	1	1998 Jan 30-Feb 1	65	34	1
2003 Mar 14-15	46	51	3	1998 Jan 28	63	32	5
<u>2002</u>				1998 Jan 25-26	53	43	4
2002 Sep 23-26	47	49	4	1998 Jan 24-25	58	39	3
<u>2001</u>				1998 Jan 23-24	57	40	3
2001 Nov 26-27	48	47	5	<u>1997</u>			
2001 Aug 3-5	49	48	3	1997 Dec 18-21	58	37	5
2001 Apr 20-22	48	50	2	1997 Oct 27-29	62	35	3
2001 Mar 5-7	39	59	2	1997 Oct 3-5	56	40	4
2001 Feb 19-21	42	55	3	1997 Sep 25-28	61	35	4
2001 Feb 1-4	51	48	1	1997 Sep 6-7	63	32	5
2000				1997 Jul 25-27	62	35	3
2000 Dec 2-4	57	41	2	1997 Jun 26-29	59	37	4
2000 Nov 13-15	57	41	2	1997 Apr 18-20	60	38	2
2000 Oct 25-28	54	44	2	1997 Mar 24-26	63	34	3
2000 Sep 15-17**	46	48	6	1997 Feb 24-26	61	34	5
2000 Aug 18-19	48	48	4	1997 Jan 31-Feb 2	64	32	4
2000 Aug 4-5	42	54	4	1997 Jan 10-13	65	31	4
2000 Apr 28-30	47	51	2	1997 Jan 3-5	60	36	4
1999				<u>1996</u>			
1999 Dec 9-12	45	53	2	1996 Nov 3-4***	56	40	4
1999 Sep 23-26	54	45	1	1996 Nov 2-3***	57	38	5
1999 Aug 3-4	52	46	2	1996 Nov 1-2***	58	37	5
1999 Jul 22-25	57	41	2	1996 Oc31-Nv 1***	59	37	4
1999 Jun 25-27	48	50	2	1996 Oct 30-31***	60	37	4
1999 Apr 30-May 2	53	45	2	1996 Oct 26-29***	58	38	4
1999 Apr 13-14	51	47	2	1996 Oct 19-20***	59	36	5
1999 Mar 5-8	54	43	3	1996 Oct 18-19***	58	37	5
1999 Feb 19-21	55	43	2	1996 Oct 17-18***	61	34	5
1999 Feb 4-8	55	44	1	1996 Oct 16-17***	58	38	4
1999 Jan 8-10	58	40	2	1996 Oct 15-16***	58	38	4
<u>1998</u>				1996 Oct 14-15***	59	36	5
1998 Dec 28-29	56	42	2	1996 Oct 13-14***	58	36	6
1998 Dec 4-6	56	40	4	1996 Oct 12-13***	60	35	5
1998 Nov 20-22	57	40	3	1996 Oct 11-12***	62	35	3
1998 Oct 9-12	54	43	3	1996 Oct 5-6***	62	33	5
1998 Sep 14-15	51	47	2	1996 Oct 4-5***	60	34	6
1998 Aug 21-23	55	43	2	1996 Oct 3-4***	58	37	5
1998 Aug 20	53	43	4	1996 Oct 2-3***	60	37	3
1998 Aug 18	55	42	3	1996 Sep 27-29***	63	33	4
1998 Aug 10-12	60	38	2	1996 Sep 3-5***	59	35	6
1998 Aug 7-8	58	40	2	1996 Sep 2-4***	61	34	5
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#### **Bill Clinton (continued)**

	Favor- able	Unfavor- able	No opinion		Favor- able	Unfavor- able	No opinion
<u>1996</u>				<u>1994</u>			
1996 Sep 2-4**	62	33	5	1994 Dec 28-30	48	49	3
1996 Ag30-Sep1**	61	35	4	1994 Nov 28-29	50	47	3
1996 Aug 28-29**	60	34	6	1994 Sep 6-7	47	50	3
1996 Aug 16-18**	57	41	2	1994 Jul 15-17	49	48	3
1996 Aug 14-15**	58	37	5	1994 Apr 22-24	56	41	3
1996 Aug 5-7*	60	37	3	1994 Mar 25-27	56	40	4
1996 Jul 18-21	62	35	3	1994 Mar 7-8	59	38	3
1996 Jun 18-19	60	36	4	1994 Jan 15-17	60	37	3
1996 May 28-29	59	38	3	1994 Jan 6-8	62	35	3
1996 May 9-12	60	39	1	<u>1993</u>			
1996 Mar 15-17	58	38	4	1993 Nov 19-21	55	41	4
1996 Feb 23-25	60	37	3	1993 Nov 15-16	56	38	6
1996 Jan 12-15	54	44	2	1993 Nov 2-4	54	42	4
<u>1995</u>				1993 Sep 24-26	63	32	5
1995 Nov 6-8	59	38	3	1993 Aug 8-10	53	42	5
1995 Sep 22-24	55	41	4	1993 Jul 19-21	51	45	4
1995 Aug 4-7	51	44	5	1993 Jun 5-6	48	44	8
1995 Jul 7-9	57	40	3	1993 Apr 22-24	63	32	5
1995 Apr 17-19	56	42	1	1993 Jan 29-31	65	27	8
1995 Mar 17-19	51	45	4	1993 Jan 18-19	66	26	8
1995 Jan 16-18	56	42	2	<u>1992</u>			
				1992 Nov 10-11	58	35	7

\*Asked of a half sample \*\*Based on registered voters. \*\*\*Based on likely voters.

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The Republican Party				
	Favorable	Unfavorable	Never heard of	No opinion
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**	52	39	*	8
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\*Asked of a half sample. \*\*Based on registered voters.

#### The Democratic Party

	Favorable	<u>Unfavorable</u>	Never heard of	No opinion
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.

5. Would you say Barack Obama has done anything that made you angry since he became president, or not?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Yes, he has	48%
No, he has not No opinion	52% 1%

#### FOR COMPARISON:

	Jan. 19-21 2007	Feb. 9-12 2006	Mar. 5-7 <u>2004</u>	Jan. 9-11 <u>2004</u>	Nov. 14-16 <u>2003</u>
Yes	67%	61%	53%	51%	53%
No	32%	38%	46%	48%	46%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%

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 2009*	Apr. 3-5 <u>2009</u>	Feb. 7-8 <u>2009*</u>		
Approve Disapprove No opinion	29% 69% 2%	35% 63% 2%	29% 71% *		
	Oct. 3-5	Sept. 19-21	July 27-29	Oct. 12-14	Oct. 6-8
	2008*	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>	2007	<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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<u>1997</u>				<u>1990</u>			
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	<u>1988</u>			
1997 Apr 18-20	30	59	11	1988 Sep 9-11	42	42	16
1997 Feb 24-26	37	48	15	<u>1987</u>			
1997 Jan 31-Feb 2	36	51	13	1987 Aug 24-Sep 2	42	49	9
1997 Jan 10-13	41	49	10	<u>1986</u>			
<u>1996</u>				1986 Apr 11-14	42	37	21
1996 Oct 26-29	34	51	15	<u>1983</u>			
1996 Aug 5-7	39	49	12	1983 Apr 29-May 2	33	43	24
1996 May 9-12	30	65	5	<u>1982</u>			
1996 Apr 9-10	35	57	8	1982 Jun 11-14	29	54	17
<u>1995</u>				<u>1981</u>			
1995 Sep 22-24	30	61	9	1981 Jun 19-22	38	40	22
1995 Aug 28-30	30	60	10	<u>1980</u>			
1995 Jul 7-9	35	55	10	1980 Jun 13-16	25	56	19
1995 May 11-14	34	57	9	<u>1979</u>			
1995 Apr 17-19	37	54	9	1979 Jun 1-4	19	61	20
1995 Mar 27-29	31	61	8	<u>1978</u>			
1995 Mar 17-19	32	59	9	1978 Sep 8-11	29	49	22
1995 Feb 24-26	35	53	12	<u>1977</u>			
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
<u>1994</u>				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	<u>1976</u>			
1994 Jul 15-17	27	65	8	1976 Jan 23-26	24	58	18
1994 Mar 25-27	29	63	8	<u>1975</u>			
1994 Feb 26-28	28	66	6	1975 Oct 31-Nov 3	28	54	18
<u>1993</u>				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	<u>1974</u>			
1993 Feb 26-28	27	54	19	1974 Oct 11-14	35	43	22
<u>1992</u>				1974 Aug 16-19	47	34	19
1992 Mar 3 ^	18	78	3	1974 Apr 12-15	30	47	23
<u>1991</u>							
1991 Oct 10-13	40	54	6				
1991 Jul 25-28	32	53	15				

^ Gallup/Newsweek

 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	Oct. 3-5	Sept. 19-21	July 27-29
	<u>2008</u>	2008*	2008	<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 CO	MPARISON:		
Do you approve or a	lisapprove of what the Den	nocratic leaders in the	U.S. House and Senate	have done so far this	year?
	Dec. 6-9 <u>2007</u>	<i>Oct.12-14</i> <u>2007</u>	June 22-24 <u>2007</u>	May 4-6 <u>2007</u>	Mar. 9-11 <u>2007</u>
Approve	39%	43%	42%	49%	47%
Disapprove	56%	51%	49%	44%	40%
No opinion	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 2009*	Apr. 23-26 <u>2009</u>	Feb 7-8 2009*	Nov. 6-9 <u>2008</u>	Oct. 3-5 2008*
Approve	33%	31%	44%	24%	27%
Disapprove	66%	65%	55%	73%	71%
No opinion	1%	4%	1%	3%	2%

\*Asked of a half sample.

9. How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of terrorism -- very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not worried at all?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Very worried	10%
Somewhat worried	26%
Not too worried	36%
Not worried at all	28%
No opinion	*

	June 4-5 <u>2008</u>	Dec. 6-9 2007	Aug. 6-8 <u>2007</u>	Mar. 9-11 <u>2007</u>	Nov. 3-5 <u>2006</u>	Aug. 18-20 <u>2006</u>
Very worried	9%	11%	12%	13%	9%	8%
Somewhat worried	29%	28%	30%	31%	31%	28%
Not too worried	32%	33%	33%	31%	33%	36%
Not worried at all	31%	28%	24%	23%	27%	29%
No opinion	*	1%	1%	2%	*	*

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	Very worried	Somewhat worried	Not too worried	Not worried <u>at all</u>	No <u>opinion</u>
2006 Jan 20-22*	14	29	34	23	1
2005 Dec 16-18	11	30	37	22	*
2005 Jul 22-24	14	33	30	23	*
2005 Jun 16-19	8	30	36	26	*
2005 Jan 7-9	10	28	37	24	1
2004 Dec 17-19	13	28	34	25	*
2004 Oct 14-16	13	34	33	20	*
2004 Sep 3-5*	11	32	36	21	*
2004 Aug 9-11*	8	26	36	30	*
2004 Feb 9-12	10	30	36	24	*
2004 Jan 2-5	5	23	42	30	*
2003 Dec 5-7	9	28	38	25	*
2003 Aug 25-26	11	30	33	26	
2003 Jul 18-20*	6	24	38	32	*
2003 Apr 22-23*	8	26	39	26	1
2003 Mar 22-23	8	30	38	24	*
2003 Feb 17-19	8	28	33	31	
2003 Feb 7-9*	13	35	34	18	*
2003 Jan 23-25	8	31	36	25	*
2002 Sep 2-4	8	30	37	25	*
2002 May 28-29	9	31	37	22	*
2002 Apr 22-24	8	27	39	25	*
2002 Mar 4-7	12	33	32	23	*
2002 Feb 4-6*	8	27	39	25	1
2001 Nov 26-27	8	27	34	30	*
2001 Nov 2-4	11	28	34	26	1
2001 Oct 19-21 **	13	30	33	23	1
2001 Oct 11-14 **	18	33	35	14	*
2001 Oct 5-6 **	24	35	27	14	*
2001 Sep 21-22 **	14	35	32	18	1
2001 Sep 14-15 **	18	33	35	13	1
2001 Sep 11 **	23	35	24	16	1
2000 Apr 7-9*	4	20	41	34	1
1998 Aug 20	10	22	38	29	1
1996 Jul 20-21 ***	13	26	34	27	*
1996 Apr 9-10 ***	13	22	33	32	*
1995 Apr 21-23 ***	14	28	33	24	1

\* Asked of a half sample. \*\* WORDING: How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist attack -- very worried, somewhat worried, not too worried, or not worried at all? \*\*\* WORDING IN 1996 AND 1998: How worried are you that someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist

attack similar to the bombing in Oklahoma City? WORDING IN 1995: How worried are you that you or someone in your family will become a victim of a terrorist attack similar to the bombing in Oklahoma City?

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

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>
Very good	2%
Somewhat good	14%
Somewhat poor	42%
Very poor	42%
No opinión	*

	July 31-Aug. 3 2009	June 26-28 <u>2009</u>	Apr. 23-26 2009	Mar. 12-15 2009	Jan. 12-15 2009
Very good	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Somewhat good	19%	18%	16%	10%	11%
Somewhat poor	44%	39%	46%	41%	36%
Very poor	35%	41%	37%	48%	50%
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No opinión	·		·	·	·
	Dec. 19-21	Oct. 30-Nov. 1	Oct. 3-5	Sept. 19-21	Aug 23-24
	2008	<u>2008</u>	2008*	2008	2008
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%	*	*	*
	June 4-5	Mar. 14-16	Jan. 14-17	Dec. 6-9	Sept. 7-9
	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>	2007	<u>2007</u>
Very good	3%	4%	4%	6%	9%
Somewhat good	19%	4% 22%	36%	40%	45%
Somewhat poor	39%	35%	40%	33%	28%
Very poor	39%	40%	19%	21%	17%
No opinion	*	*	*	1%	*
	Aug. 6-8	May 4-6	Mar. 9-11	Jan. 19-21	Nov. 3-5
	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
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Very good	11% 45%	18% 43%	10% 42%	15% 48%	8% 41%
Somewhat good Somewhat poor	43% 26%	43% 25%	42% 31%	48% 23%	41% 32%
Very poor	17%	14%	15%	13%	18%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
	Oct. 27-29	Sep. 23-24	Aug.30-Sep. 2	Jun. 14-15	May 7-9
	<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>	<u>2006</u>
	2000	2000	2000	2000	2000
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%

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	Very good	Some- what good	Some- what	Very	No <u>opinion</u>	Total good	Total
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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.

11. Do you think Barack Obama's policies have made the economy better, or don't you think so?

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>	July 31-Aug. 3 2009*
Made economy better	43%	44%
Don't think so	56%	51%
No opinion	2%	5%

\*Asked of a half sample.

- 11. Do you think Barack Obama's policies have made the economy better, or don't you think so?
- 12. (IF DON'T THINK SO) Do you think Barack Obama's policies will eventually make the economy better, or don't you think so?

## **QUESTIONS 11 AND 12 COMBINED**

	Oct. 16-18 2009	July 31-Aug. 3 2009*
Made economy better (from Q11)	43%	44%
Will make economy better	13%	11%
Will not make economy better	42%	40%
No opinion	3%	5%

\*Asked of a half sample.

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

	Oct. 16-18	June 26-28
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>
The economy is starting to recover from the		
problems it faced in the past year or so	17%	12%
An economic recovery has not started but conditions		
have stabilized and are not getting any worse	50%	48%
The economy is still in a downturn and conditions		
are continuing to worsen	33%	40%
Recession is over/Economy has recovered (vol.)	*	*
No opinion	*	*

14. For each of these three groups, please tell me how much contact you have with them either where you live, work or shop -- a lot, some, a little or none at all? (RANDOM ORDER) (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 540 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

HISPANICS		BLACKS	ASIAN-AMERICANS
	Oct. 16-18 2009	Oct. 16-18 2009	Oct. 16-18 2009
A lot	34%	36%	15%
Some	32%	33%	32%
A little	24%	25%	38%
None at all	10%	7%	16%
No opinion	*	*	*

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	HISPANICS		BLACKS		ASIAN-AME	RICANS
	May 10-14	July 6-10	May 10-14	July 6-10	May 10-14	July 6-10
	<u>1991</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>1990</u>	<u>1991</u>	<u>1990</u>
A lot	25%	26%	41%	43%	16%	14%
Some	23%	23%	28%	30%	24%	24%
A little	30%	29%	22%	19%	35%	37%
None at all	21%	28%	8%	7%	23%	23%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	2%

15. How much discrimination is there that hurts the chances of each of the following groups to get good paying jobs? Would you say there is a lot, some, only a little, or none at all? (RANDOM ORDER) (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 498 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

HISPANICS		BLACKS	ASIAN-AMERICANS
	Oct. 16-18	Oct. 16-18	Oct. 16-18
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>
A lot	24%	17%	8%
Some	33%	36%	26%
Only a little	22%	23%	28%
None at all	19%	23%	36%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%

#### TREND FROM THE 1990 GENERAL SOCIAL SURVEY CONDUCTED BY THE NATIONAL OPINION RESEARCH CENTER AT THE UNIVERSITY OF CHICAGO

	HISPANICS February <u>1990</u>	BLACKS February <u>1991</u>	ASIAN-AMERICANS February <u>1991</u>
A lot	21%	29%	11%
Some	45%	42%	43%
A little	18%	16%	22%
None at all	9%	9%	14%
No opinion	7%	4%	10%

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16. Under a proposal called "cap and trade," the federal government would limit the amount of greenhouse gases that companies could produce in their factories or power plants. If companies exceeded those limits, they would either pay a fine or pay money to other companies that produced smaller amounts of greenhouse gases. Would you favor or oppose this proposal?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Favor	60%
Oppose	37%
No opinion	3%

17. Do you think the media are out of touch with average Americans, or are they generally in touch?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Out of touch	70%
In touch	29%
No opinion	1%

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	Out of touch	In touch	No opinion
1999 Feb4-8	48%	50%	2%
1995 Apr 5-6	60%	38%	2%

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

	Oct. 16-18	Sept. 11-13	Aug. 28-31	July 31-Aug. 3	June 26-28
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>
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Favor	49%	51%	48%	50%	51%
Oppose	49%	46%	51%	45%	45%
No opinion	2%	3%	2%	5%	4%

### FOR COMPARISON: <u>CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS</u>

	Favor	Oppose	No opinion
Bill Clinton			•
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?

- 18. From everything you have heard or read so far, do you favor or oppose Barack Obama's plan to reform health care?
- 19. (IF FAVOR) Do you favor that plan strongly or only moderately?
- 20. (IF OPPOSE) Do you oppose that plan strongly or only moderately?

# QUESTIONS 18, 19, AND 20 COMBINED

	Oct. 16-18 2009	Sept. 11-13 2009	Aug. 28-31 <u>2009</u>	July 31-Aug. 3 2009
Favor strongly	24%	26%	25%	23%
Favor moderately	25%	25%	23%	27%
Oppose moderately	15%	14%	10%	12%
Oppose strongly	34%	32%	41%	33%
No opinion	2%	4%	2%	5%

21. Who do you trust more to handle major changes in the country's health care system – Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

	Oct. 16-18	June 26-28
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009*</u>
Obama	50%	49%
Republicans in Congress	34%	38%
Both equally/neither (vol.)	15%	12%
No opinion	1%	1%

\*Asked of a half sample.

22. What do you think would be better for the country -- if Congress passed a bill to change the country's health care system along the lines of what Barack Obama has proposed, or if the current system were left in place with no changes?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Pass a bill	53%
Leave current system	44%
No opinion	3%

23. Now thinking specifically about the health insurance plans available to most Americans, would you favor or oppose creating a public health insurance option administered by the federal government that would compete with plans offered by private health insurance companies?

	Oct. 16-18	Aug. 28-31
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>
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Favor	61%	55%
Oppose	38%	41%
No opinion	1%	4%

- 23. Now thinking specifically about the health insurance plans available to most Americans, would you favor or oppose creating a public health insurance option administered by the federal government that would compete with plans offered by private health insurance companies?
- 24. (IF FAVOR) Which of the following statements comes closest to your view?

# QUESTIONS 23, AND 24 COMBINED

		Oct. 16-18 2009
Favor bill only if includes public option		40%
Favor bill even if did not include public option		18%
Favor public option, unsure on bill		3%
Oppose public option (from Q.23)		38%
No opinion		1%
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# 25. Do you favor or oppose the U.S. war in Afghanistan?

	Oct. 16-18	Sept. 11-13	Aug. 28-31	July 31-Aug. 3	May 14-17	Apr. 3-5
	2009	2009	<u>2009</u>	2009	<u>2009</u>	2009
Favor	41%	39%	42%	41%	50%	53%
Oppose	57%	58%	57%	54%	48%	46%
No opinion	2% Feb. 18-19	3% Dec. 1-2	2% July 27-29	5% Jan. 19-21	3% Sept. 22-24	1%
Favor Oppose No opinion	2009 47% 51% 2%	2008 52% 46% 2%	2008 46% 52% 2%	2007 44% 52% 4%	2006 50% 48% 2%	

# **QUESTIONS 25 AND 26 COMBINED**

25/26. Do you favor or oppose the U.S. war in Afghanistan? Is your mind made up about the war or do you think you could change your mind?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Favor/mind made up	20%
Favor/could change mind	20%
Oppose/could change mind	39%
Oppose/mind made up	18%
No opinion	2%

27. Would you favor or oppose sending more troops to Afghanistan?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Favor	39%
Oppose	59%
No opinion	2%

# **QUESTIONS 27 AND 28 COMBINED**

27/28. Would you favor or oppose sending more troops to Afghanistan? (IF OPPOSE) Do you think the U.S. should keep the same number of troops in Afghanistan as it currently has, or do you think the U.S. should reduce the number of troops in that country but keep some there, or do you think the U.S. should immediately withdraw all troops from Afghanistan?

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>
Send more troops (from Q. 27)	39%
Keep same number of troops	8%
Reduce number of troops	21%
Withdraw all troops	28%
No opinion	3%

29. Do you consider the war in Afghanistan to be part of the war on terrorism which began on September 11, 2001, or do you consider it to be an entirely separate military action? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 540 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>
Part of the war on terrorism	61%
Entirely separate military action	37%
No opinion	1%

#### FOR COMPARISON:

Do you consider the war in Iraq to be part of the war on terrorism which began on September 11, 2001, or do you consider it to be an entirely separate military action?

		May 4-6 <u>2007</u>	Jan. 19-21 2007	Aug.30- 200	1		
Part of the war on terrorism		43%	40%	459	%		
Entirely separate military action		54%	57%	539	%		
No opinion		3%	4%	19	6		
	Mar 10-12 2006	Dec.16-18 2005	June 24-26 2005	Oct. 1-3 2004	July 19-21 2004	Mar 26-28 <u>2004</u>	Aug 25- 2003
Part of the war on terrorism	44%	43%	47%	50%	51%	50%	57%
Entirely separate military action	54%	55%	50%	47%	47%	48%	41%
No opinion	3%	2%	3%	3%	2%	2%	2%

30. Thinking about the current situation, do you think it is or is not necessary for the United States to keep its troops in Afghanistan NOW in order to prevent additional acts of terrorism in the U.S.? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 498 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Yes, is necessary	60%
No, is not	39%

1%

No opinion

#### FOR COMPARISON:

Thinking about the current situation, do you think it is or is not necessary for the United States to keep its troops in Iraq now in order to prevent additional acts of terrorism in the U.S.?

	Sept. 7-9 2007	June 29-30 <u>2005</u>
Part of the war on terrorism	52%	55%
Entirely separate military action	45%	41%
No opinion	3%	4%

31.	Just your best guess do you think each of t Afghanistan in the next few years?	he following is likely or unlikely to happen in
		Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>
that w	ghanistan will have a democratic government vill not be over-thrown by terrorists or aliban	
U	ikely nlikely o opinion	31% 68% 2%
ensur	ghan military and police will be able to e safety and security in Afghanistan but assistance from the United States	
U	ikely nlikely o opinion	31% 69% *
from	ghanistan will be able to prevent terrorists using the country as a base of operations anning attacks against the United States	
U	ikely nlikely o opinion	33% 66% 1%

32. Do you think the war in Afghanistan has turned into a situation like the United States faced in the Vietnam War, or don't you think so?

	Oct. 16-18
	<u>2009</u>
Yes, has turned into situation like Vietnam	52%
No, has not done so	46%
No opinion	3%

33. Based on what you have heard or read, do you think that the government of Iran is or is not attempting to develop its own nuclear weapons? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 540 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>	Dec. 6-9 <u>2007</u>	Oct. 12-14 <u>2007</u>	Jan. 20-22 2007
Is	88%	61%	77%	80%
Is not	11%	33%	18%	12%
No opinion	2%	7%	5%	8%

34. Would you favor or oppose direct diplomatic negotiations between the U.S. and Iran in an attempt to prevent Iran from developing nuclear weapons? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 498 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Favor	78%
Oppose	22%
No opinion	1%

35. Would you favor or oppose imposing economic sanctions on Iran in an attempt to prevent Iran from developing nuclear weapons? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 498 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Favor	77%
Oppose	21%
No opinion	1%

36. Would you favor or oppose U.S. military action against Iran in an attempt to prevent Iran from developing nuclear weapons? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 498 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Oct. 16-18
	<u>2009</u>
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Favor	54%
Oppose	45%
No opinion	1%

- 37. Would you like to see the number of illegal immigrants currently in this country increased, decreased, or remain the same?
- 38. (IF DECREASED) Would you like to see the number of illegal immigrants decreased only a little, decreased a lot, or would you like to see all illegal immigrants who are currently in the country removed from the U.S.?

# **QUESTION 37 ONLY**

	Increased	Remain <u>the same</u>	Decreased	No <u>Opinion</u>
Oct. 16-18, 2009	3%	22%	73%	1%
Jan. 14-17, 2008 Oct. 12-14, 2007 Oct. 20-22, 2006 June 8-11, 2006	5% 7% 5% 2%	29% 22% 27% 26%	65% 69% 67% 67%	1% 2% 1% 6%

## **QUESTION 37 AND 38 COMBINED**

	Increased	Remain the same	Decrease <u>a little</u>	Decreased <u>a lot</u>	Remove <u>all</u>	No <u>Opinion</u>
Oct. 16-18,2009	3%	22%	13%	23%	37%	2%
Jan. 14-17, 2008 Oct. 12-14, 2007 Oct. 20-22, 2006 June 8-11, 2006	5% 7% 5% 2%	29% 22% 27% 26%	15% 16% 16% 15%	23% 22% 22% 18%	26% 30% 28% 34%	2% 3% 2% 6%

39. As you may know, the Norwegian Nobel Committee recently awarded the Nobel Peace Prize to Barack Obama. Do you approve or disapprove of that committee's decision to award the prize to Obama?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Approve	42%
Disapprove	56%
No opinion	2%

40. Do you think Obama has accomplished enough so far to deserve the Nobel Peace Prize, or don't you think so?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Accomplished enough	32%
Do not think so	67%
No opinion	1%

41. Regardless of how you feel about Obama, do you feel proud that a U.S. President won the Nobel Peace Prize, or don't you feel that way?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Feel proud	70%
Do not feel proud	29%
No opinion	1%

42. Now thinking about the vaccine for the H1N1 flu, sometimes referred to as "swine flu," do you think that it is safe for people to get that vaccine, or do you think that vaccine has side effects that can lead to death or serious health problems in some people who get it?

	Oct. 16-18
	<u>2009</u>
Safe	49%
Side effects	43%
No opinion	7%

43. Do you think doctors, nurses, and other health care professionals who may come in contact with people suffering from the H1N1 flu should or should not be required to get the vaccine against this flu?

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>
Should	56%
Should not	42%
No opinion	2%

44. How would you rate the job that the Veterans Administration is doing to provide medical care, college aid, and other assistance to military veterans? Do you think the V.A. is doing a very good job, a fairly good job, a fairly poor job or a very poor job?

	Oct. 16-18 2009
Very good	11%
Fairly good	51%
Fairly poor	20%
Very poor	13%
No opinion	5%

45. Suppose you were in your neighborhood and you saw a Latino man or woman who you did not know. Would you be most likely to assume that they were born in this country, that they immigrated to this country legally, or that they were an illegal immigrant?

	Oct. 16-18
	<u>2009</u>
	200/
Born in this country	38%
Immigrated legally	30%
Illegal immigrant	19%
Depends (vol.)	7%
Never see Latinos (vol)	*
No opinion	6%

## BASED ON 462 REPUBLICANS -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.

46. Next, I'm going to read a list of people who may be running in the Republican primary for president in 2012. After I read all the names, please tell me which of those candidates you would be most likely to support for the Republican nomination for President in the year 2012, or if you would support someone else. (RANDOM ORDER)

	Oct. 16-18 2009	Feb. 18-19 2009
Former Arkansas Governor Mike Huckabee	32%	26%
Former Alaska Governor Sarah Palin	25%	29%
Former Massachusetts Governor Mitt Romney	21%	21%
Minnesota Governor Tim Pawlenty	5%	N/A
Someone else	10%	10%
None/no one	5%	4%
No opinion	1%	2%

Note: Tim Pawlenty not included in list of candidates on February poll. Bobby Jindal was included in the February poll and received 9% support.

# BASED ON ALL RESPONDENTS -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 3 PERCENTAGE POINTS.

47. Thinking about the following characteristics and qualities, please say whether you think each one applies or doesn't apply to Sarah Palin. (RANDOM ORDER)

	Applies	Does Not Apply	No Opinion
Not a typical politician October 16-18, 2009	65%	34%	1%
A good role model for women October 16-18, 2009	64%	35%	1%
<b>Care about the needs of people like you</b> October 16-18, 2009	56%	43%	2%
Is honest and trustworthy October 16-18, 2009	55%	43%	2%
Shares your values October 16-18, 2009	49%	49%	2%
Generally agrees with you on issues you care about			
October 16-18, 2009	48%	50%	2%
Is a strong and decisive leader October 16-18, 2009	47%	51%	2%
Qualified to be president October 16-18, 2009	29%	71%	*

48. As you know, the U.S. government will conduct its census next April, as it does every ten years. Do you think the U.S. Census should or should not ask everyone living in this country whether they are legal residents of the United States?

	Oct. 16-18 <u>2009</u>
Should	88%
Should not	12%
No opinion	*