

Interviews with 1,009 adult Americans, including 935 registered voters, conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on March 25-28, 2010. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points and for registered voters is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

# FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY, MARCH 30 AT 1 PM

- 4. If the elections for Congress were being held today, which party's candidate would you vote for in your Congressional district?
- 5. (IF UNSURE:) As of today, who do you lean more toward?

# **QUESTIONS 4 AND 5 COMBINED**

	Democratic candidate	Republican candidate	Neither (vol.)	No <u>opinion</u>
Registered Voters	45%	49%	4%	20/
March 25-28, 2010	4370	49%	4%	2%
March 19-21, 2010	45%	48%	5%	2%
February 12-15, 2010	45%	47%	6%	2%
Jan. 8-10, 2010	45%	48%	6%	1%
Nov. 13-15, 2009	49%	43%	6%	3%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	50%	44%	5%	2%
All Respondents				
March 25-28, 2010	46%	48%	4%	2%
March 19-21, 2010	46%	46%	6%	3%
February 12-15, 2010	46%	46%	5%	3%
Jan. 8-10, 2010	45%	46%	6%	2%
Nov. 13-15, 2009	49%	42%	7%	2%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	51%	41%	6%	2%

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- 6. (IF DEMOCRAT) Would you say you will definitely vote for the Democrat, or is it possible you would change your mind between now and the election?
- 7. (IF REPUBLICAN) Would you say you will definitely vote for the Republican, or is it possible you would change your mind between now and the election?

## **QUESTIONS 6 AND 7 COMBINED**

	Definitely vote	Could change <u>mind</u>	Neither (vol.)	No <u>opinion</u>
<b>Registered Voters</b>				-
March 25-28, 2010	56%	38%	1%	5%
March 19-21, 2010	52%	39%	1%	8%
Jan. 8-10, 2010	46%	46%	1%	7%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	49%	45%	1%	6%
Oct. 13-15, 2006	58%	40%	NA	2%
Aug. 2-3, 2006	49%	49%	NA	2%
All Respondents				
March 25-28, 2010	54%	39%	1%	5%
March 19-21, 2010	50%	40%	2%	8%
Jan. 8-10, 2010	46%	45%	2%	7%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	48%	44%	2%	5%
Oct. 13-15, 2006	56%	42%	NA	2%
Aug. 2-3, 2006	46%	52%	NA	2%

	Definitely Democratic	Democratic could change	Republican could change	Definitely <u>Republican</u>	Neither (vol.)	No <u>opinion</u>
<b>Registered Voters</b>						
March 25-28, 2010	28%	18%	21%	28%	1%	5%
March 19-21, 2010	24%	19%	20%	27%	1%	8%
Jan. 8-10, 2010	23%	21%	25%	23%	1%	7%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	27%	23%	22%	22%	1%	6%
Oct. 13-15, 2006	37%	19%	17%	21%	3%	4%
Aug. 2-3, 2006	32%	21%	22%	18%	3%	4%
All Respondents						
March 25-28, 2010	28%	19%	21%	27%	1%	5%
March 19-21, 2010	25%	20%	20%	25%	2%	8%
Jan. 8-10, 2010	24%	21%	24%	22%	2%	7%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	28%	23%	21%	20%	2%	5%
Oct. 13-15, 2006	35%	20%	16%	21%	3%	5%
Aug. 2-3, 2006	29%	22%	22%	18%	2%	7%

8. How enthusiastic would you say you are about voting for Congress this year -- extremely enthusiastic, very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not at all enthusiastic?

chinusiastie :	Extremely Enthusiastic	Very <u>Enthusiastic</u>	Somewhat Enthusiastic	Not too <u>Enthusiastic</u>	Not at all <u>Enthusiastic</u>	No <u>Opinion</u>
ALL REGISTERED VO	TERS					
March 25-28, 2010	24%	21%	32%	12%	11%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	20%	20%	35%	16%	10%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	22%	20%	32%	16%	9%	*
<b>Registered Democrats</b>						
March 25-28, 2010	17%	19%	40%	14%	9%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	13%	18%	42%	17%	10%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	17%	25%	34%	17%	6%	1%
<b>Registered Republicans</b>						
March 25-28, 2010	32%	23%	24%	10%	11%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	25%	24%	30%	14%	7%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	26%	17%	33%	16%	8%	*
ALL RESPONDENTS						
March 25-28, 2010	22%	20%	33%	12%	13%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	19%	19%	35%	16%	11%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	21%	20%	32%	16%	10%	*
Democrats						
March 25-28, 2010	15%	18%	41%	14%	10%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	13%	17%	42%	17%	10%	1%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	15%	24%	36%	17%	9%	*
Republicans						
March 25-28, 2010	30%	23%	26%	9%	12%	*
January 8-10, 2010	23%	23%	32%	14%	8%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	29%	17%	29%	14%	11%	*

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#### FOR COMPARISON

How enthusiastic would you say you are about voting **for President** this year -- extremely enthusiastic, very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not at all enthusiastic?

	Extremely Enthusiastic	Very <u>Enthusiastic</u>	Somewhat Enthusiastic	Not too <u>Enthusiastic</u>	Not at all <u>Enthusiastic</u>	No <u>Opinion</u>
<u>REGISTERED VOTERS</u>						
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2008	37%	32%	16%	7%	8%	*
Oct. 17-19, 2008	34%	24%	23%	11%	8%	*
Sept. 5-7, 2008	30%	30%	23%	11%	6%	*
Aug. 29-31, 2008	31%	27%	19%	15%	8%	*
Aug. 23-24, 2008	26%	23%	28%	13%	11%	*
June 4-5, 2008	23%	27%	24%	14%	12%	*
Jan. 14-17, 2008	37%	26%	24%	8%	4%	*
June 23-24, 2007	26%	28%	27%	13%	6%	*
Republicans						
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2008	28%	32%	19%	9%	12%	*
Oct. 17-19, 2008	24%	26%	27%	12%	10%	*
Sept. 5-7, 2008	26%	28%	26%	15%	4%	*
Aug. 29-31, 2008	24%	25%	23%	19%	9%	*
Aug. 23-24, 2008	22%	21%	30%	16%	11%	*
June 4-5, 2008	13%	24%	27%	21%	15%	*
Jan. 14-17, 2008	33%	24%	29%	9%	5%	*
June 23-24, 2007	27%	25%	27%	16%	6%	*
Democrats						
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2008	45%	34%	13%	4%	3%	*
Oct. 17-19, 2008	45%	23%	20%	7%	5%	*
Sept. 5-7, 2008	36%	30%	21%	6%	6%	*
Aug. 29-31, 2008	37%	30%	17%	11%	6%	*
Aug. 23-24, 2008	30%	26%	25%	11%	7%	*
June 4-5, 2008	32%	31%	21%	8%	8%	*
Jan. 14-17, 2008	41%	27%	22%	6%	3%	*
June 23-24, 2007	28%	32%	27%	9%	4%	*

## QUESTIONS 11 AND 12 ROTATED

11. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Democratic leaders in Congress are handling their job?

	Mar. 25-28	Mar. 19-21	Oct. 16-18	Apr. 23-26	Feb 7-8
	<u>2010</u>	2010	2009*	2009	<u>2009*</u>
Approve	42%	33%	38%	43%	60%
Disapprove	57%	65%	59%	53%	39%
No opinion	1%	2%	2%	5%	2%
	Nov. 6-9 <u>2008</u>	Oct. 3-5 2008*	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 a	disapprove 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%

12. Do you approve or disapprove of the way the Republican leaders in Congress are handling their job?

	Mar. 25-28 <u>2010</u>	Mar. 19-21 <u>2010</u>			
Approve Disapprove No opinion	36% 63% 1%	32% 66% 2%			
	Oct. 16-18	Apr. 23-26	Feb 7-8	Nov. 6-9	Oct. 3-5
	2009*	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009*</u>	<u>2008</u>	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.

13. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Nancy Pelosi is handling her job as Speaker of the House?

	Mar. 25-28 <u>2010</u>	May 14-17 <u>2009</u>	Mar. 9-11 <u>2007</u>	Jan. 11 <u>2007</u>
Approve	43%	39%	46%	51%
Disapprove	54%	48%	30%	22%
No opinion	3%	12%	25%	27%

## FOR COMPARISON:

## CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

Do you approve	Do you approve or disapprove of the way Newt Gingrich is handling his job as Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives?					
	Ар-	Disap-	No			
	prove	prove	opinion			
	%	%	%			
98 Apr 17-19	45	46	9			
98 Jan 24-25	46	40	14			
98 Jan 23-24	48	41	11			
97 Mar 24-26	25	63	12			
97 Jan 3-5	27	59	14			
96 Apr 9-10	33	55	12			
96 Mar 11-17	31	55	14			
96 Feb 12-18	35	55	10			
96 Jan 8-14	33	58	9			
95 Jun 5-6	37	46	17			
95 Apr 17-19	37	49	14			
95 Mar 27-29	37	47	16			
95 Feb 24-26	36	48	16			
95 Feb 3-5	38	48	14			
95 Jan 16-18	39	35	26			