



Interviews with 1,018 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on July 16-21, 2010. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Results in this document labelled "All Americans" or "Total" are based on this sample of 1,018 adults.

Additional interviews were conducted among African-Americans, and combined with the African-Americans contacted in the initial sample of 1,018 for a total of 308 African-American respondents. The margin of sampling error for results based on this sample of African-Americans is plus or minus 5.5 percentage points.

Additional interviews were also conducted among Hispanics, and combined with the Hispanics contacted in the initial sample of 1,018 for a total of 303 Hispanic respondents. The margin of sampling error for results based on this sample of Hispanics is plus or minus 5.5 percentage points.

Columns in this document labeled "Whites" show results only for the 757 respondents in the initial sample who described themselves as white in a question on racial background and did not describe themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity. (Sampling error for non-Hispanic whites is +/-3.5 percentage points.) Columns in this document labeled "Blacks" refer to all respondents who described themselves as black or African-American and did not describe themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity. Columns in this document labeled "Hispanics" refer to all respondents who described themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity regardless of their race.

Trend results for racial groups are shown only for polls which had enough African-American and Hispanic respondents to produce statistically valid results.

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39. If you had to choose, would you say that the situation in the Gulf of Mexico is under control or is still out of control?

	ALL AMERICANS	
	July 16-21 <u>2010</u>	June 16 <u>2010</u>
Under control	33%	7%
Out of control	65%	92%
Mixed/both (vol.)	2%	1%
No opinion	*	*

	<u>July 16-21, 2010</u>		
	<u>Blacks</u>	<u>Hispanics</u>	<u>Whites</u>
Under control	38%	28%	32%
Out of control	60%	69%	66%
Mixed/both (vol.)	2%	3%	2%
No opinion	*	*	*

40. And thinking about how things are going in the Gulf of Mexico, would you say that the situation is getting better, that it has stabilized but is not getting better, or that it is getting worse?

	ALL AMERICANS	
	July 16-21 <u>2010</u>	June 16 <u>2010</u>
Getting better	24%	14%
Stabilized	58%	38%
Getting worse	18%	48%
No opinion	*	*

	<u>July 16-21, 2010</u>		
	<u>Blacks</u>	<u>Hispanics</u>	<u>Whites</u>
Better	32%	16%	23%
Stabilized	58%	59%	60%
Worse	10%	25%	17%
No opinion	*	*	*