



Interviews with 1,024 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on September 1-2, 2010. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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

	<u>Very good</u>	<u>Somewhat good</u>	<u>Somewhat poor</u>	<u>Very poor</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
Sept. 1-2, 2010	1%	17%	37%	44%	*
July 16-21, 2010	1%	21%	41%	37%	*
May 21-23, 2010	1%	21%	41%	37%	*
Mar. 25-28, 2010	1%	20%	39%	39%	*
Feb. 12-15, 2010	2%	15%	39%	44%	*
Jan. 8-10, 2010	2%	18%	42%	38%	*
Dec. 16-20, 2009	1%	19%	38%	42%	*
Nov. 13-15, 2009	1%	17%	39%	43%	*
Oct. 16-18, 2009	2%	14%	42%	42%	*
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	2%	19%	44%	35%	*
June 26-28, 2009	2%	18%	39%	41%	*
Apr. 23-26, 2009	1%	16%	46%	37%	*
Mar. 12-15, 2009	1%	10%	41%	48%	*
Jan. 12-15, 2009	2%	11%	36%	50%	*
Dec. 19-21, 2008	2%	6%	27%	66%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2008	3%	13%	29%	54%	2%
Oct. 3-5, 2008	2%	14%	31%	53%	*
Sept. 19-21, 2008	1%	18%	34%	47%	*
Aug. 23-24, 2008	4%	21%	32%	43%	*
June 4-5, 2008	3%	19%	39%	39%	*
Mar. 14-16, 2008	4%	22%	35%	40%	*
Jan. 14-17, 2008	4%	36%	40%	19%	*
Dec. 6-9, 2007	6%	40%	33%	21%	1%
Sept. 7-9, 2007	9%	45%	28%	17%	*
Aug. 6-8, 2007	11%	45%	26%	17%	1%
May 4-6, 2007	18%	43%	25%	14%	1%
Mar. 9-11, 2007	10%	42%	31%	15%	1%
Jan. 19-21, 2007	15%	48%	23%	13%	1%
Nov. 3-5, 2006	8%	41%	32%	18%	1%
Oct. 27-29, 2006	13%	49%	24%	13%	1%
Sept. 23-24, 2006	12%	47%	26%	15%	*
Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2006	9%	35%	34%	22%	*
June 14-15, 2006	9%	42%	31%	16%	2%
May 7-9, 2006	10%	42%	26%	21%	1%

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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>
<u>ALL AMERICANS</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.

14. Do you think the Democrats or the Republicans are more responsible for the country's current economic problems? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 518 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Sept. 1-2 <u>2010</u>						
	June 16 <u>2009</u>	Nov. 13-15 <u>2009*</u>	Aug. 28-31 <u>2009</u>	July 31-Aug. 3 <u>2009</u>	May 14-17 <u>2009</u>	Jan. 12-15 <u>2009</u>	
Democrats	28%	27%	27%	23%	21%	22%	35%
Republican	41%	38%	41%	44%	53%	50%	44%
Both equally (vol.)	26%	27%	26%	24%	22%	20%	16%
Neither (vol.)	5%	6%	4%	7%	4%	6%	3%
No opinion	*	2%	1%	3%	1%	1%	2%

*Asked of half sample

15. Do you think the policies of Barack Obama and the Democrats or George W. Bush and the Republicans are more responsible for the country's current economic problems? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 506 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	Sept. 1-2 <u>2010</u>
Obama and Democrats	33%
Bush and Republicans	53%
Both equally (vol.)	10%
Neither (vol.)	3%
No opinion	1%

16. Which of the following statements best describes your opinion of economic conditions today:

	Sept. 1-2 <u>2010</u>
Economic conditions are as bad or worse as they were two years ago	49%
The economy has gotten better, but in the near future conditions will again be as bad as they were two years ago	18%
The economy has gotten better and in the near future conditions will remain better than they were two years ago	32%
No opinion	1%

Question 13

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

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Very good	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Somewhat good	17%	17%	17%	12%	30%
Somewhat poor	37%	34%	39%	39%	32%
Very poor	44%	46%	43%	48%	36%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Very good	1%	N/A	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Somewhat good	17%	N/A	13%	17%	17%	17%	17%
Somewhat poor	37%	N/A	36%	36%	32%	39%	34%
Very poor	44%	N/A	49%	45%	49%	42%	46%
No opinion	*	N/A	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Very good	1%	3%	*	3%	*
Somewhat good	17%	21%	13%	21%	14%
Somewhat poor	37%	33%	41%	31%	42%
Very poor	44%	42%	46%	45%	44%
No opinion	*	1%	*	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very good	1%	2%	1%	1%	3%	*	1%
Somewhat good	17%	27%	15%	8%	16%	25%	11%
Somewhat poor	37%	45%	32%	32%	44%	38%	32%
Very poor	44%	25%	51%	59%	36%	37%	55%
No opinion	*	1%	*	*	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Very good	1%	1%	1%	2%	*	1%	2%	1%
Somewhat good	17%	18%	17%	20%	13%	22%	19%	14%
Somewhat poor	37%	40%	35%	37%	35%	39%	33%	39%
Very poor	44%	40%	46%	41%	51%	38%	46%	46%
No opinion	*	1%	*	*	*	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 14

Do you think the Democrats or the Republicans are more responsible for the country's current economic problems?

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Democrats	35%	38%	33%	40%	N/A
Republicans	44%	42%	46%	39%	N/A
Both equally	16%	16%	16%	18%	N/A
Neither	3%	1%	5%	2%	N/A
No opinion	2%	3%	1%	1%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Democrats	35%	N/A	N/A	45%	39%	29%	43%
Republicans	44%	N/A	N/A	41%	37%	48%	39%
Both equally	16%	N/A	N/A	12%	16%	18%	13%
Neither	3%	N/A	N/A	2%	6%	2%	3%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	1%	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.5	+/-5.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Democrats	35%	27%	38%	37%	33%
Republicans	44%	50%	42%	46%	43%
Both equally	16%	17%	15%	13%	19%
Neither	3%	3%	3%	3%	3%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5	+/-5.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Democrats	35%	8%	38%	70%	N/A	27%	52%
Republicans	44%	78%	34%	11%	N/A	53%	26%
Both equally	16%	11%	20%	18%	N/A	14%	18%
Neither	3%	3%	4%	1%	N/A	5%	2%
No opinion	2%	1%	4%	*	N/A	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-7.5		+/-7.5	+/-6.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Democrats	35%	N/A	N/A	37%	N/A	N/A	37%	39%
Republicans	44%	N/A	N/A	48%	N/A	N/A	45%	41%
Both equally	16%	N/A	N/A	13%	N/A	N/A	16%	15%
Neither	3%	N/A	N/A	2%	N/A	N/A	2%	4%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	N/A	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.5			+/-6.5	+/-7.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 15

Do you think the policies of Barack Obama and the Democrats or George W. Bush and the Republicans are more responsible for the country's current economic problems?

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Obama and Democrats	33%	34%	32%	40%	N/A
Bush and Republicans	53%	51%	55%	45%	N/A
Both equally	10%	11%	10%	11%	N/A
Neither	3%	3%	2%	4%	N/A
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Obama and Democrats	33%	N/A	N/A	33%	45%	29%	38%
Bush and Republicans	53%	N/A	N/A	56%	39%	56%	49%
Both equally	10%	N/A	N/A	7%	13%	11%	10%
Neither	3%	N/A	N/A	4%	3%	2%	4%
No opinion	1%	N/A	N/A	1%	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-5.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Obama and Democrats	33%	31%	36%	38%	29%
Bush and Republicans	53%	56%	52%	47%	57%
Both equally	10%	10%	9%	10%	10%
Neither	3%	3%	3%	2%	3%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-8.0	+/-5.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Obama and Democrats	33%	14%	30%	64%	N/A	23%	53%
Bush and Republicans	53%	80%	51%	21%	N/A	61%	31%
Both equally	10%	4%	15%	9%	N/A	12%	11%
Neither	3%	2%	3%	4%	N/A	4%	4%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	2%	N/A	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-8.0		+/-7.5	+/-6.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Obama and Democrats	33%	N/A	N/A	43%	N/A	N/A	32%	45%
Bush and Republicans	53%	N/A	N/A	46%	N/A	N/A	56%	38%
Both equally	10%	N/A	N/A	6%	N/A	N/A	7%	14%
Neither	3%	N/A	N/A	3%	N/A	N/A	5%	*
No opinion	1%	N/A	N/A	2%	N/A	N/A	*	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.5			+/-6.0	+/-7.5

* percentage less than 1%

Question 16

Which of the following statements best describes your opinion of economic conditions today:

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
As bad as two years ago	49%	49%	49%	55%	34%
Gotten better, will be bad	18%	20%	17%	19%	18%
Gotten better, remain better	32%	31%	33%	26%	46%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
As bad as two years ago	49%	N/A	52%	51%	54%	46%	52%
Gotten better, will be bad	18%	N/A	17%	19%	12%	20%	17%
Gotten better, remain better	32%	N/A	30%	28%	31%	33%	29%
No opinion	1%	N/A	1%	2%	2%	*	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
As bad as two years ago	49%	44%	53%	52%	47%
Gotten better, will be bad	18%	21%	17%	18%	19%
Gotten better, remain better	32%	35%	30%	29%	34%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
As bad as two years ago	49%	25%	55%	72%	29%	44%	64%
Gotten better, will be bad	18%	18%	20%	17%	18%	19%	18%
Gotten better, remain better	32%	55%	25%	11%	51%	35%	18%
No opinion	1%	2%	*	*	2%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
As bad as two years ago	49%	52%	45%	48%	50%	38%	49%	54%
Gotten better, will be bad	18%	19%	18%	18%	18%	18%	16%	21%
Gotten better, remain better	32%	28%	35%	32%	31%	42%	33%	25%
No opinion	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-4.5	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%