



Interviews with 1,012 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on March 18-20, 2011. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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8. All in all, do you approve or disapprove of the way the Obama Administration has handled the government's response to the current situation in Japan?

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Approve	72%
Disapprove	22%
No opinion	6%

9. Overall, do you think the U.S. has done too much, too little, or about the right amount in providing assistance to Japan since the earthquake? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 504 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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Too much	7%
Too little	24%
Right amount	66%
No opinion	3%

FOR COMPARISON:

KAISER SURVEY TREND ON HAITI

	<u>Too much</u>	<u>Too little</u>	<u>About the right amount</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
2010 Aug 3-16	10%	18%	62%	9%

QUESTION WORDING: Overall, do you think the U.S. has done too much, too little, or about the right amount in providing assistance to Haiti since the earthquake?

10. Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of the amount of aid Japan needs from the U.S. and other countries: (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 508 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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Japan is a well-developed country with a strong economy and it does not need aid from the U.S. and other countries	12%
Japan needs some aid from the U.S. and other countries, but not as much as poor countries like Haiti that have suffered major natural disasters in the past	49%
Japan needs as much aid from the U.S. and other countries as any other country that has suffered a major natural disaster in the past	39%
No opinion	*

11. How likely do you think it is that a natural disaster as bad as the ones that hit Japan recently would occur somewhere in the United States in the next few years -- very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely or very unlikely?

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Very likely	28%
Somewhat likely	43%
Somewhat unlikely	18%
Very unlikely	10%
No opinion	1%

12. How much confidence do you have in the federal government's ability to respond to future natural disasters -- a great deal of confidence, a moderate amount, not much, or none at all?

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Great deal	13%
Moderate amount	48%
Not much	29%
None at all	11%
No opinion	*

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<u>Great deal</u>	<u>Moderate amount</u>	<u>Not much</u>	<u>None at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Sep 8-11	22	38	28	12	*

Question 8

All in all, do you approve or disapprove of the way the Obama Administration has handled the government's response to the current situation in Japan?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Approve	72%	71%	72%	69%	79%
Disapprove	22%	24%	21%	24%	16%
No opinion	6%	5%	7%	7%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-8.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	72%	N/A	71%	68%	67%	75%	67%
Disapprove	22%	N/A	21%	26%	28%	18%	27%
No opinion	6%	N/A	7%	6%	5%	7%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	72%	69%	78%	69%	74%
Disapprove	22%	25%	17%	26%	19%
No opinion	6%	6%	6%	5%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Demo-ocrat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	72%	87%	68%	57%	82%	79%	62%
Disapprove	22%	8%	26%	36%	14%	15%	32%
No opinion	6%	5%	7%	7%	4%	7%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	72%	77%	71%	65%	77%	75%	71%	68%
Disapprove	22%	17%	22%	28%	18%	20%	22%	25%
No opinion	6%	5%	7%	7%	5%	5%	7%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Approve	72%	50%	76%	87%
Disapprove	22%	45%	17%	7%
No opinion	6%	5%	7%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

* percentage less than 1%

Question 9

Overall, do you think the U.S. has done too much, too little, or about the right amount in providing assistance to Japan since the earthquake?

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Too much	7%	8%	6%	9%	N/A
Too little	24%	23%	25%	24%	N/A
Right amount	66%	65%	67%	64%	N/A
No opinion	3%	4%	1%	3%	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
Too much	7%	N/A	N/A	9%	5%	7%	7%
Too little	24%	N/A	N/A	21%	23%	25%	22%
Right amount	66%	N/A	N/A	66%	70%	65%	68%
No opinion	3%	N/A	N/A	4%	2%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-5.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Too much	7%	8%	6%	9%	5%
Too little	24%	29%	18%	24%	24%
Right amount	66%	61%	73%	66%	66%
No opinion	3%	2%	3%	1%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Too much	7%	4%	12%	5%	N/A	6%	7%
Too little	24%	21%	21%	31%	N/A	19%	30%
Right amount	66%	73%	65%	59%	N/A	75%	59%
No opinion	3%	2%	2%	4%	N/A	*	4%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5		+/-7.5	+/-6.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Too much	7%	N/A	N/A	10%	N/A	4%	9%	N/A
Too little	24%	N/A	N/A	30%	N/A	21%	25%	N/A
Right amount	66%	N/A	N/A	58%	N/A	71%	64%	N/A
No opinion	3%	N/A	N/A	3%	N/A	4%	2%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.5		+/-8.5	+/-6.5	

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Too much	7%	7%	10%	3%
Too little	24%	30%	23%	17%
Right amount	66%	60%	64%	77%
No opinion	3%	3%	3%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-8.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 10

Which of the following statements comes closest to your view of the amount of aid Japan needs from the U.S. and other countries:

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Japan does not need aid	12%	15%	9%	12%	N/A
Japan needs aid, not as much	49%	41%	57%	51%	N/A
Japan needs aid	39%	44%	34%	38%	N/A
No opinion	*	*	*	*	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
Japan does not need aid	12%	N/A	N/A	11%	15%	11%	13%
Japan needs aid, not as much	49%	N/A	N/A	51%	53%	48%	51%
Japan needs aid	39%	N/A	N/A	38%	33%	41%	36%
No opinion	*	N/A	N/A	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-5.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Japan does not need aid	12%	14%	9%	13%	10%
Japan needs aid, not as much	49%	42%	57%	43%	54%
Japan needs aid	39%	44%	34%	44%	36%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Japan does not need aid	12%	8%	12%	17%	N/A	6%	14%
Japan needs aid, not as much	49%	47%	49%	53%	N/A	50%	53%
Japan needs aid	39%	45%	39%	30%	N/A	44%	33%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	N/A	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.5	+/-8.0		+/-7.0	+/-6.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Japan does not need aid	12%	N/A	N/A	8%	N/A	10%	12%	N/A
Japan needs aid, not as much	49%	N/A	N/A	47%	N/A	47%	47%	N/A
Japan needs aid	39%	N/A	N/A	45%	N/A	44%	40%	N/A
No opinion	*	N/A	N/A	*	N/A	*	*	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-4.5			+/-7.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.0	

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Japan does not need aid	12%	15%	11%	8%
Japan needs aid, not as much	49%	47%	50%	51%
Japan needs aid	39%	38%	39%	42%
No opinion	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-4.5	+/-7.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 11

How likely do you think it is that a natural disaster as bad as the ones that hit Japan recently would occur somewhere in the United States in the next few years -- very likely, somewhat likely, somewhat unlikely or very unlikely?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Very likely	28%	27%	29%	26%	34%
Somewhat likely	43%	38%	47%	45%	36%
Somewhat unlikely	18%	19%	16%	18%	18%
Very unlikely	10%	14%	6%	10%	10%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-8.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Very likely	28%	N/A	29%	27%	21%	31%	25%
Somewhat likely	43%	N/A	45%	46%	40%	42%	44%
Somewhat unlikely	18%	N/A	17%	17%	19%	17%	18%
Very unlikely	10%	N/A	8%	9%	17%	8%	12%
No opinion	1%	N/A	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Very likely	28%	30%	26%	32%	25%
Somewhat likely	43%	39%	46%	42%	43%
Somewhat unlikely	18%	19%	17%	14%	20%
Very unlikely	10%	11%	9%	11%	9%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	*	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Very likely	28%	30%	29%	25%	36%	26%	26%
Somewhat likely	43%	40%	45%	42%	36%	48%	41%
Somewhat unlikely	18%	19%	16%	19%	19%	16%	19%
Very unlikely	10%	10%	8%	14%	8%	9%	13%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Very likely	28%	19%	26%	31%	36%	28%	26%	31%
Somewhat likely	43%	46%	47%	41%	36%	40%	46%	40%
Somewhat unlikely	18%	22%	18%	16%	15%	21%	17%	14%
Very unlikely	10%	12%	8%	10%	11%	8%	9%	15%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Very likely	28%	26%	30%	25%
Somewhat likely	43%	43%	42%	47%
Somewhat unlikely	18%	18%	18%	18%
Very unlikely	10%	12%	10%	8%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

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Question 12

How much confidence do you have in the federal government's ability to respond to future natural disasters -- a great deal of confidence, a moderate amount, not much, or none at all?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal	12%	12%	13%	11%	18%
Moderate amount	48%	45%	50%	47%	49%
Not much	29%	30%	27%	30%	25%
None at all	11%	13%	9%	12%	8%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-8.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal	12%	N/A	10%	10%	14%	14%	12%
Moderate amount	48%	N/A	45%	49%	51%	46%	50%
Not much	29%	N/A	34%	27%	26%	30%	27%
None at all	11%	N/A	11%	14%	9%	10%	12%
No opinion	*	N/A	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Great deal	12%	15%	9%	13%	13%
Moderate amount	48%	46%	53%	47%	48%
Not much	29%	28%	28%	28%	29%
None at all	11%	11%	9%	12%	10%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal	12%	21%	8%	9%	14%	15%	10%
Moderate amount	48%	57%	40%	48%	50%	50%	47%
Not much	29%	18%	36%	30%	26%	24%	34%
None at all	11%	4%	16%	12%	10%	10%	10%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal	12%	16%	11%	12%	12%	13%	11%	14%
Moderate amount	48%	45%	54%	49%	42%	49%	49%	44%
Not much	29%	29%	26%	27%	33%	27%	30%	28%
None at all	11%	10%	9%	12%	12%	11%	10%	14%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal	12%	4%	14%	15%
Moderate amount	48%	39%	46%	63%
Not much	29%	39%	30%	16%
None at all	11%	18%	10%	6%
No opinion	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

* percentage less than 1%