



Interviews with 1,034 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on April 29 - May 1, 2011. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

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16. Now, thinking about the cost of gasoline, would you say the country is in a state of crisis, has major problems, has minor problems, or has no problems at all?

	Apr. 29-May 1 <u>2011</u>	June 4-5 <u>2008</u>
State of crisis	16%	24%
Major problems,	66%	59%
Minor problems	18%	16%
No problems at all	1%	2%
No opinion	*	*

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	<u>Crisis</u>	<u>Major problems</u>	<u>Minor problems</u>	<u>No problems at all</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2004 May 21-23*	15	49	29	6	1
2004 Mar 26-28*	13	56	26	5	*

* Asked of a half sample.

17. As a result of the recent rise in gas prices, would you say you have or have not done each of the following: (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Yes, have</u>	<u>No, have not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
a. Cut back significantly on how much you drive			
April 29-May 1, 2011	63%	36%	2%
June 4-5, 2008	66%	33%	*
May 5-7, 2006	59%	39%	2%
b. Seriously considered getting a more fuel-efficient car the next time you buy a vehicle			
April 29-May 1, 2011	61%	38%	2%
June 4-5, 2008	71%	29%	*
May 5-7, 2006	60%	36%	4%
c. Cut back significantly on your household spending because of higher gas prices			
April 29-May 1, 2011	58%	42%	*
June 4-5, 2008	55%	44%	*
May 5-7, 2006	49%	50%	1%
d. Changed your summer vacation plans			
April 29-May 1, 2011	39%	60%	1%

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

Cut back significantly on how much you drive	<u>Yes, have</u>	<u>No, have not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Apr 1-2	48	51	1
2004 Jun 3-6	45	54	1
Seriously considered getting a more fuel-efficient car the next time you buy a vehicle			
	<u>Yes, have</u>	<u>No, have not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Apr 1-2	57	42	1
2004 Jun 3-6	53	46	1
Cut back significantly on your household spending because of the higher gas prices			
	<u>Yes, have</u>	<u>No, have not</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2005 Apr 1-2	38	62	*
2004 Jun 3-6	34	66	*

18. Which would worry you more -- if gas prices rose significantly but you could buy gas whenever you wanted to without waiting in long lines, or if gas prices remained steady but you had to wait in long lines to buy gas or could only buy it on certain days?

	Apr. 29-May 1 <u>2011</u>	June 4-5 <u>2008</u>	August 2-3 <u>2006</u>
Prices rose but no lines	35%	40%	37%
Long lines but stable prices	58%	55%	52%
Both/neither (vol.)	5%	4%	9%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%

19. Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices. (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Great deal of blame</u>	<u>Some blame</u>	<u>Not much blame</u>	<u>No blame at all</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
Oil companies					
April 29-May 1, 2011	61%	27%	5%	7%	*
Speculators and other investors who buy and sell oil in the financial markets around the world					
April 29-May 1, 2011	59%	31%	5%	4%	1%
Foreign countries that produce oil					
April 29-May 1, 2011	42%	39%	9%	8%	1%
The violence and unrest in many countries in the Middle East					
April 29-May 1, 2011	40%	40%	9%	10%	1%
The policies of the Obama administration					
April 29-May 1, 2011	25%	36%	16%	21%	2%
The policies of the Republicans in Congress					
April 29-May 1, 2011	24%	42%	16%	16%	2%
Environmental regulations					
April 29-May 1, 2011	24%	37%	16%	21%	1%
The driving habits of American consumers					
April 29-May 1, 2011	21%	41%	16%	22%	*

20. Do you think oil companies as a whole are making too much profit, a reasonable profit, or not enough profit?

	Apr. 29-May 1 <u>2011</u>	Apr. 28-30 <u>2008</u>
Too much profit	77%	83%
Reasonable profit	22%	13%
Not enough profit	1%	3%
No opinion	1%	1%

OPINION RESEARCH CORPORATION TRENDS

	<u>Too much Profit</u>	<u>Reasonable Profit</u>	<u>Not enough Profit</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
1983 June 2-5	74	22	2	2
1981 July 7-20	83	13	2	2
1979 August 23-26	81	14	3	2
1976 November 4-7	67	24	4	5
1975 Sept. 2-14	76	19	1	4
1975 Feb. 10-March 9	73	19	2	6

Question 16

Now, thinking about the cost of gasoline, would you say the country is in a state of crisis, has major problems, has minor problems, or has no problems at all?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Crisis	16%	15%	16%	16%	15%
Major problems	66%	62%	69%	64%	70%
Minor problems	18%	21%	14%	19%	15%
No problems at all	1%	1%	1%	1%	*
No opinion	*	1%	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Crisis	16%	N/A	18%	18%	11%	16%	15%
Major problems	66%	N/A	66%	64%	71%	65%	67%
Minor problems	18%	N/A	13%	17%	17%	18%	17%
No problems at all	1%	N/A	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
No opinion	*	N/A	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
Crisis	16%	18%	14%	17%	14%
Major problems	66%	65%	65%	69%	63%
Minor problems	18%	16%	20%	12%	22%
No problems at all	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
No opinion	*	*	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Crisis	16%	12%	17%	19%	11%	15%	18%
Major problems	66%	66%	64%	67%	65%	65%	68%
Minor problems	18%	21%	17%	14%	21%	20%	13%
No problems at all	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	1%
No opinion	*	*	1%	*	2%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Crisis	16%	15%	21%	13%	15%	17%	15%	15%
Major problems	66%	62%	61%	71%	66%	62%	65%	71%
Minor problems	18%	22%	18%	14%	19%	21%	19%	12%
No problems at all	1%	1%	*	1%	*	1%	1%	1%
No opinion	*	*	*	1%	*	*	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Crisis	16%	15%	21%	8%
Major problems	66%	69%	64%	66%
Minor problems	18%	16%	14%	24%
No problems at all	1%	1%	1%	1%
No opinion	*	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 17A

As a result of the recent rise in gas prices, would you say you have or have not done each of the following:

A. Cut back significantly on how much you drive

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Have	63%	63%	62%	59%	71%
Have not	36%	36%	36%	38%	29%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Have	63%	N/A	58%	65%	60%	62%	63%
Have not	36%	N/A	42%	35%	36%	37%	35%
No opinion	2%	N/A	*	*	5%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Have	63%	71%	55%	70%	56%
Have not	36%	28%	45%	27%	44%
No opinion	2%	2%	*	3%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Have	63%	61%	63%	63%	49%	64%	70%
Have not	36%	36%	35%	36%	49%	36%	29%
No opinion	2%	3%	2%	*	2%	*	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Have	63%	55%	68%	68%	58%	62%	61%	68%
Have not	36%	45%	31%	30%	40%	37%	38%	29%
No opinion	2%	*	1%	2%	2%	1%	1%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Have	63%	71%	64%	52%
Have not	36%	29%	34%	46%
No opinion	2%	*	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 17B

As a result of the recent rise in gas prices, would you say you have or have not done each of the following:

B. Seriously considered getting a more fuel-efficient car the next time you buy a vehicle

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Have	61%	58%	63%	57%	69%
Have not	38%	41%	34%	41%	30%
No opinion	2%	*	3%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Have	61%	N/A	60%	57%	45%	68%	52%
Have not	38%	N/A	39%	42%	47%	32%	44%
No opinion	2%	N/A	*	1%	7%	*	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Have	61%	61%	63%	59%	62%
Have not	38%	37%	37%	38%	37%
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%
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
Have	61%	69%	58%	54%	67%	64%	53%
Have not	38%	30%	40%	45%	31%	35%	45%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North-east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Have	61%	64%	55%	60%	65%	63%	60%	59%
Have not	38%	36%	44%	37%	34%	35%	39%	38%
No opinion	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%	2%	*	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Have	61%	50%	64%	63%
Have not	38%	49%	34%	35%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 17C

As a result of the recent rise in gas prices, would you say you have or have not done each of the following:

C. Cut back significantly on your household spending because of higher gas prices

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Have	58%	55%	60%	54%	67%
Have not	42%	44%	40%	45%	33%
No opinion	*	1%	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Have	58%	N/A	58%	57%	52%	60%	55%
Have not	42%	N/A	42%	43%	47%	40%	44%
No opinion	*	N/A	*	*	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
Have	58%	71%	42%	72%	46%
Have not	42%	28%	57%	28%	54%
No opinion	*	*	1%	1%	*
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
Have	58%	54%	61%	58%	48%	60%	61%
Have not	42%	45%	39%	42%	51%	40%	39%
No opinion	*	1%	*	*	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North-east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Have	58%	57%	59%	64%	49%	52%	56%	69%
Have not	42%	43%	39%	36%	51%	47%	44%	31%
No opinion	*	*	1%	*	*	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Have	58%	56%	66%	48%
Have not	42%	44%	34%	52%
No opinion	*	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 17D

As a result of the recent rise in gas prices, would you say you have or have not done each of the following:

D. Changed your summer vacation plans

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Have	39%	38%	40%	38%	41%
Have not	60%	62%	59%	61%	59%
No opinion	1%	*	2%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Have	39%	N/A	49%	37%	31%	42%	35%
Have not	60%	N/A	51%	62%	66%	57%	63%
No opinion	1%	N/A	*	1%	2%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Have	39%	47%	29%	46%	32%
Have not	60%	51%	70%	52%	67%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Have	39%	39%	41%	34%	35%	39%	40%
Have not	60%	60%	59%	64%	65%	59%	59%
No opinion	1%	2%	*	2%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Have	39%	39%	43%	41%	31%	34%	38%	45%
Have not	60%	61%	56%	58%	69%	65%	61%	54%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	2%	*	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Have	39%	37%	46%	30%
Have not	60%	63%	53%	69%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 18

Which would worry you more -- if gas prices rose significantly but you could buy gas whenever you wanted to without waiting in long lines, or if gas prices remained steady but you had to wait in long lines to buy gas or could only buy it on certain days?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Prices rose but no lines	35%	36%	34%	35%	36%
Long lines but stable prices	58%	56%	60%	58%	57%
Both/neither	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Prices rose but no lines	35%	N/A	36%	36%	34%	35%	35%
Long lines but stable prices	58%	N/A	58%	56%	53%	60%	55%
Both/neither	5%	N/A	6%	6%	11%	3%	8%
No opinion	2%	N/A	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0		+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-3.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Prices rose but no lines	35%	32%	40%	30%	40%
Long lines but stable prices	58%	62%	53%	64%	53%
Both/neither	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	*	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Prices rose but no lines	35%	30%	36%	39%	39%	34%	35%
Long lines but stable prices	58%	62%	57%	55%	56%	59%	58%
Both/neither	5%	6%	5%	6%	5%	5%	6%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Prices rose but no lines	35%	30%	29%	40%	38%	38%	34%	31%
Long lines but stable prices	58%	63%	64%	51%	58%	53%	60%	61%
Both/neither	5%	4%	6%	8%	2%	6%	4%	7%
No opinion	2%	4%	1%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Prices rose but no lines	35%	40%	30%	39%
Long lines but stable prices	58%	53%	63%	54%
Both/neither	5%	6%	5%	5%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 19A

Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices.

A. Oil companies

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal of blame	61%	53%	68%	61%	61%
Some blame	27%	31%	23%	26%	27%
Not much blame	5%	6%	3%	5%	6%
No blame at all	7%	9%	5%	8%	7%
No opinion	*	*	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal of blame	61%	N/A	69%	63%	61%	60%	62%
Some blame	27%	N/A	21%	25%	26%	27%	25%
Not much blame	5%	N/A	3%	4%	5%	6%	4%
No blame at all	7%	N/A	7%	7%	7%	7%	7%
No opinion	*	N/A	*	*	2%	*	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
Great deal of blame	61%	67%	54%	69%	55%
Some blame	27%	25%	31%	23%	29%
Not much blame	5%	3%	5%	3%	6%
No blame at all	7%	5%	9%	5%	9%
No opinion	*	*	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal of blame	61%	69%	60%	52%	76%	63%	50%
Some blame	27%	23%	26%	32%	17%	26%	32%
Not much blame	5%	2%	6%	6%	2%	3%	9%
No blame at all	7%	5%	8%	9%	4%	7%	9%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal of blame	61%	61%	68%	58%	58%	60%	58%	69%
Some blame	27%	26%	24%	29%	27%	26%	29%	23%
Not much blame	5%	4%	2%	6%	6%	4%	6%	3%
No blame at all	7%	9%	6%	7%	8%	10%	7%	5%
No opinion	*	*	*	1%	*	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal of blame	61%	38%	66%	75%
Some blame	27%	38%	24%	19%
Not much blame	5%	10%	3%	2%
No blame at all	7%	14%	6%	3%
No opinion	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 19B

Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices.

B. Foreign countries that produce oil

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal of blame	42%	40%	44%	41%	43%
Some blame	39%	37%	41%	41%	37%
Not much blame	9%	11%	7%	8%	12%
No blame at all	8%	11%	6%	9%	7%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal of blame	42%	N/A	46%	43%	43%	41%	43%
Some blame	39%	N/A	43%	38%	40%	39%	39%
Not much blame	9%	N/A	6%	9%	6%	11%	8%
No blame at all	8%	N/A	5%	9%	9%	8%	9%
No opinion	1%	N/A	*	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
Great deal of blame	42%	51%	34%	51%	35%
Some blame	39%	36%	44%	33%	45%
Not much blame	9%	6%	11%	8%	10%
No blame at all	8%	7%	10%	6%	10%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal of blame	42%	46%	38%	45%	42%	38%	46%
Some blame	39%	34%	43%	39%	34%	46%	36%
Not much blame	9%	10%	9%	8%	9%	10%	9%
No blame at all	8%	7%	9%	8%	12%	7%	8%
No opinion	1%	3%	*	*	3%	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal of blame	42%	48%	47%	41%	33%	45%	39%	45%
Some blame	39%	36%	40%	40%	40%	33%	42%	39%
Not much blame	9%	9%	8%	7%	13%	12%	9%	6%
No blame at all	8%	8%	4%	9%	12%	9%	8%	9%
No opinion	1%	*	*	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal of blame	42%	40%	45%	38%
Some blame	39%	39%	39%	40%
Not much blame	9%	7%	9%	11%
No blame at all	8%	12%	6%	10%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 19C

Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices.

C. The policies of the Obama administration

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal of blame	25%	27%	24%	30%	15%
Some blame	36%	34%	38%	37%	33%
Not much blame	16%	18%	14%	14%	20%
No blame at all	21%	20%	21%	17%	31%
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	3%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal of blame	25%	N/A	28%	28%	31%	22%	29%
Some blame	36%	N/A	34%	33%	31%	39%	33%
Not much blame	16%	N/A	20%	14%	14%	17%	14%
No blame at all	21%	N/A	17%	22%	21%	20%	22%
No opinion	2%	N/A	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
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 of blame	25%	24%	26%	27%	24%
Some blame	36%	37%	37%	36%	36%
Not much blame	16%	16%	16%	14%	17%
No blame at all	21%	20%	21%	19%	22%
No opinion	2%	3%	1%	4%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal of blame	25%	7%	26%	49%	11%	16%	42%
Some blame	36%	35%	38%	34%	24%	41%	36%
Not much blame	16%	23%	14%	8%	27%	16%	10%
No blame at all	21%	33%	19%	7%	36%	24%	10%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal of blame	25%	21%	25%	31%	21%	19%	24%	34%
Some blame	36%	34%	32%	34%	45%	37%	35%	37%
Not much blame	16%	13%	23%	14%	14%	21%	15%	11%
No blame at all	21%	31%	16%	19%	19%	23%	24%	15%
No opinion	2%	*	4%	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal of blame	25%	51%	24%	6%
Some blame	36%	33%	38%	34%
Not much blame	16%	7%	17%	21%
No blame at all	21%	7%	18%	38%
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 19D

Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices.

D. The policies of the Republicans in Congress

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal of blame	24%	20%	27%	19%	33%
Some blame	42%	42%	42%	44%	38%
Not much blame	16%	17%	16%	16%	16%
No blame at all	16%	19%	12%	18%	10%
No opinion	2%	2%	3%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal of blame	24%	N/A	24%	26%	24%	23%	25%
Some blame	42%	N/A	43%	41%	37%	44%	39%
Not much blame	16%	N/A	15%	13%	18%	18%	15%
No blame at all	16%	N/A	18%	17%	18%	14%	18%
No opinion	2%	N/A	*	4%	3%	2%	4%
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 of blame	24%	29%	18%	29%	18%
Some blame	42%	45%	41%	44%	41%
Not much blame	16%	12%	18%	14%	18%
No blame at all	16%	11%	21%	11%	20%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal of blame	24%	39%	18%	11%	36%	23%	17%
Some blame	42%	37%	49%	38%	41%	45%	38%
Not much blame	16%	14%	14%	23%	13%	13%	23%
No blame at all	16%	8%	16%	25%	10%	15%	20%
No opinion	2%	2%	3%	2%	1%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal of blame	24%	25%	20%	23%	25%	26%	24%	21%
Some blame	42%	38%	44%	46%	39%	41%	40%	47%
Not much blame	16%	16%	17%	15%	18%	16%	16%	16%
No blame at all	16%	16%	17%	14%	16%	13%	18%	14%
No opinion	2%	4%	2%	2%	2%	3%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal of blame	24%	11%	24%	34%
Some blame	42%	41%	43%	42%
Not much blame	16%	18%	18%	12%
No blame at all	16%	27%	11%	12%
No opinion	2%	3%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 19E

Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices.

E. The driving habits of American consumers

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal of blame	21%	22%	20%	22%	20%
Some blame	41%	39%	43%	39%	45%
Not much blame	16%	18%	13%	17%	13%
No blame at all	22%	21%	23%	22%	22%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal of blame	21%	N/A	18%	24%	23%	19%	24%
Some blame	41%	N/A	39%	41%	43%	40%	42%
Not much blame	16%	N/A	16%	13%	15%	17%	14%
No blame at all	22%	N/A	27%	21%	19%	24%	20%
No opinion	*	N/A	*	*	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
Great deal of blame	21%	18%	22%	24%	19%
Some blame	41%	43%	42%	38%	43%
Not much blame	16%	16%	16%	15%	15%
No blame at all	22%	23%	21%	22%	22%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal of blame	21%	22%	25%	14%	30%	21%	16%
Some blame	41%	45%	37%	40%	42%	41%	41%
Not much blame	16%	12%	16%	19%	12%	17%	16%
No blame at all	22%	21%	21%	27%	16%	20%	27%
No opinion	*	*	1%	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal of blame	21%	23%	17%	20%	25%	28%	18%	20%
Some blame	41%	39%	41%	41%	41%	38%	43%	40%
Not much blame	16%	13%	20%	17%	11%	11%	18%	16%
No blame at all	22%	25%	21%	21%	22%	22%	21%	24%
No opinion	*	*	1%	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal of blame	21%	18%	22%	23%
Some blame	41%	36%	40%	44%
Not much blame	16%	19%	14%	16%
No blame at all	22%	27%	24%	16%
No opinion	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 19F

Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices.

F. The violence and unrest in many countries in the Middle East

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal of blame	40%	40%	40%	40%	41%
Some blame	40%	35%	44%	41%	38%
Not much blame	9%	12%	6%	10%	7%
No blame at all	10%	12%	8%	9%	13%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal of blame	40%	N/A	39%	37%	40%	41%	38%
Some blame	40%	N/A	41%	42%	40%	38%	41%
Not much blame	9%	N/A	11%	7%	8%	11%	7%
No blame at all	10%	N/A	9%	13%	8%	10%	11%
No opinion	1%	N/A	*	1%	4%	*	3%
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 of blame	40%	46%	34%	46%	35%
Some blame	40%	34%	47%	34%	45%
Not much blame	9%	9%	9%	8%	10%
No blame at all	10%	10%	10%	10%	10%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal of blame	40%	46%	38%	36%	46%	34%	41%
Some blame	40%	37%	37%	49%	36%	45%	39%
Not much blame	9%	8%	11%	7%	9%	11%	8%
No blame at all	10%	9%	13%	6%	8%	10%	11%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal of blame	40%	54%	34%	39%	35%	44%	39%	38%
Some blame	40%	33%	46%	41%	39%	38%	41%	40%
Not much blame	9%	3%	14%	7%	13%	8%	9%	11%
No blame at all	10%	9%	5%	12%	13%	9%	11%	8%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal of blame	40%	33%	44%	39%
Some blame	40%	46%	36%	40%
Not much blame	9%	10%	9%	9%
No blame at all	10%	9%	10%	10%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 19G

Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices.

G. Environmental regulations

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal of blame	24%	25%	23%	26%	21%
Some blame	37%	34%	40%	40%	32%
Not much blame	16%	16%	15%	15%	18%
No blame at all	21%	23%	20%	19%	27%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal of blame	24%	N/A	23%	29%	25%	22%	27%
Some blame	37%	N/A	37%	32%	40%	40%	35%
Not much blame	16%	N/A	18%	17%	13%	16%	16%
No blame at all	21%	N/A	20%	21%	19%	22%	20%
No opinion	1%	N/A	2%	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
Great deal of blame	24%	21%	26%	24%	25%
Some blame	37%	43%	31%	44%	32%
Not much blame	16%	16%	18%	12%	19%
No blame at all	21%	19%	23%	18%	23%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal of blame	24%	14%	22%	42%	12%	18%	37%
Some blame	37%	40%	36%	36%	32%	37%	40%
Not much blame	16%	19%	18%	8%	23%	18%	10%
No blame at all	21%	25%	23%	13%	31%	26%	12%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	*	1%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal of blame	24%	22%	21%	28%	24%	21%	27%	23%
Some blame	37%	28%	41%	36%	45%	31%	34%	49%
Not much blame	16%	19%	19%	14%	12%	18%	17%	12%
No blame at all	21%	30%	17%	20%	19%	29%	22%	14%
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	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal of blame	24%	49%	21%	8%
Some blame	37%	32%	43%	32%
Not much blame	16%	7%	16%	24%
No blame at all	21%	12%	20%	32%
No opinion	1%	*	*	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 19H

Please tell me whether you think each of the following deserves a great deal of blame, some blame, not much blame, or no blame at all for the recent increase in gas prices.

H. Speculators and other investors who buy and sell oil in the financial markets around the world

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Great deal of blame	59%	57%	61%	61%	56%
Some blame	31%	29%	33%	31%	30%
Not much blame	5%	6%	3%	3%	8%
No blame at all	4%	7%	2%	4%	6%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Great deal of blame	59%	N/A	63%	65%	62%	57%	64%
Some blame	31%	N/A	31%	28%	27%	34%	27%
Not much blame	5%	N/A	3%	3%	4%	6%	3%
No blame at all	4%	N/A	2%	4%	5%	4%	5%
No opinion	1%	N/A	1%	*	2%	*	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
Great deal of blame	59%	66%	55%	62%	58%
Some blame	31%	26%	35%	28%	33%
Not much blame	5%	5%	4%	4%	5%
No blame at all	4%	2%	5%	5%	4%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Great deal of blame	59%	59%	61%	56%	63%	60%	55%
Some blame	31%	34%	29%	32%	32%	30%	32%
Not much blame	5%	4%	5%	5%	2%	6%	5%
No blame at all	4%	3%	5%	5%	3%	3%	7%
No opinion	1%	*	*	2%	*	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Great deal of blame	59%	60%	67%	54%	59%	60%	58%	59%
Some blame	31%	34%	26%	33%	30%	31%	31%	32%
Not much blame	5%	3%	4%	6%	4%	2%	7%	3%
No blame at all	4%	2%	2%	6%	7%	6%	3%	6%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Great deal of blame	59%	45%	63%	68%
Some blame	31%	37%	27%	29%
Not much blame	5%	7%	5%	2%
No blame at all	4%	9%	4%	1%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 20

Do you think oil companies as a whole are making too much profit, a reasonable profit, or not enough profit?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White			
Too much profit	77%	72%	81%	77%	76%			
Reasonable profit	22%	26%	18%	22%	22%			
Not enough profit	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%			
No opinion	1%	1%	*	*	1%			
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.5			
		18-	35-	50-		Under	50 and	
	Total	34	49	64	65+	50	Older	
Too much profit	77%	N/A	78%	80%	76%	75%	78%	
Reasonable profit	22%	N/A	21%	19%	23%	23%	21%	
Not enough profit	1%	N/A	*	1%	1%	1%	1%	
No opinion	1%	N/A	1%	*	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			
Too much profit	77%	82%	75%	82%	71%			
Reasonable profit	22%	17%	23%	16%	27%			
Not enough profit	1%	*	1%	1%	1%			
No opinion	1%	*	1%	*	1%			
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5			
	Total	Demo- crat	Indep- endent	Repub- lican	Lib- eral	Mod- erate	Conser- vative	
Too much profit	77%	86%	73%	69%	85%	80%	67%	
Reasonable profit	22%	12%	25%	29%	14%	20%	30%	
Not enough profit	1%	*	2%	1%	1%	*	2%	
No opinion	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	*	1%	
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	
	Total	North east	Mid- west	South	West	Urban	Sub- urban	Rural
Too much profit	77%	77%	87%	72%	73%	80%	73%	80%
Reasonable profit	22%	22%	12%	26%	25%	18%	26%	19%
Not enough profit	1%	1%	1%	2%	*	1%	1%	1%
No opinion	1%	*	*	1%	1%	1%	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.0
	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose				
Too much profit	77%	56%	82%	88%				
Reasonable profit	22%	42%	17%	12%				
Not enough profit	1%	1%	1%	*				
No opinion	1%	1%	*	*				
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0				

* percentage less than 1%