

Interviews with $\mathbf{1 , 0 0 9}$ adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on July 18-20, 2011. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points.

The sample includes 856 interviews among landline respondents and 153 interviews among cell phone respondents.
9. How would you rate the economic conditions in the country today -- as very good, somewhat good, somewhat poor, or very poor?

|  | Very good | Somewhat good | Somewhat poor | Very poor | No opinion | Total good | Total poor |
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| July 18-20, 2011 | * | 16\% | 38\% | 46\% | * | 16\% | 84\% |
| June 3-7, 2011 | 1\% | 18\% | 40\% | 41\% | * | 19\% | 81\% |
| Apr. 29-May 1, 2011 | 1\% | 17\% | 44\% | 38\% | * | 18\% | 82\% |
| Mar. 11-13, 2011 | 1\% | 15\% | 42\% | 42\% | * | 16\% | 84\% |
| Jan. 14-16, 2011 | 1\% | 23\% | 40\% | 35\% | 1\% | 24\% | 75\% |
| Nov. 11-14, 2010 | 1\% | 17\% | 37\% | 44\% | 1\% | 18\% | 81\% |
| Sept. 1-2, 2010 | 1\% | 17\% | 37\% | 44\% | * | 18\% | 81\% |
| July 16-21, 2010 | 1\% | 21\% | 41\% | 37\% | * | 22\% | 78\% |
| May 21-23, 2010 | 1\% | 21\% | 41\% | 37\% | * | 22\% | 78\% |
| Mar. 25-28, 2010 | 1\% | 20\% | 39\% | 39\% | * | 21\% | 78\% |
| Feb. 12-15, 2010 | 2\% | 15\% | 39\% | 44\% | * | 17\% | 83\% |
| Jan. 8-10, 2010 | 2\% | 18\% | 42\% | 38\% | * | 20\% | 80\% |
| Dec. 16-20, 2009 | 1\% | 19\% | 38\% | 42\% | * | 20\% | 80\% |
| Nov. 13-15, 2009 | 1\% | 17\% | 39\% | 43\% | * | 18\% | 82\% |
| Oct. 16-18, 2009 | 2\% | 14\% | 42\% | 42\% | * | 16\% | 84\% |
| July 31-Aug. 3, 2009 | 2\% | 19\% | 44\% | 35\% | * | 21\% | 79\% |
| June 26-28, 2009 | 2\% | 18\% | 39\% | 41\% | * | 20\% | 80\% |
| Apr. 23-26, 2009 | 1\% | 16\% | 46\% | 37\% | * | 17\% | 83\% |
| Mar. 12-15, 2009 | 1\% | 10\% | 41\% | 48\% | * | 11\% | 89\% |
| Jan. 12-15, 2009 | 2\% | 11\% | 36\% | 50\% | * | 13\% | 86\% |
| Dec. 19-21, 2008 | 2\% | 6\% | 27\% | 66\% | * | 8\% | 93\% |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2008 | 3\% | 13\% | 29\% | 54\% | 2\% | 16\% | 83\% |
| Oct. 3-5, 2008 | 2\% | 14\% | 31\% | 53\% | * | 16\% | 84\% |
| Sept. 19-21, 2008 | 1\% | 18\% | 34\% | 47\% | * | 19\% | 81\% |
| Aug. 23-24, 2008 | 4\% | 21\% | 32\% | 43\% | * | 25\% | 75\% |
| June 4-5, 2008 | 3\% | 19\% | 39\% | 39\% | * | 22\% | 78\% |
| Mar. 14-16, 2008 | 4\% | 22\% | 35\% | 40\% | * | 26\% | 75\% |
| Jan. 14-17, 2008 | 4\% | 36\% | 40\% | 19\% | * | 40\% | 59\% |
| Dec. 6-9, 2007 | 6\% | 40\% | 33\% | 21\% | 1\% | 46\% | 54\% |
| Sept. 7-9, 2007 | 9\% | 45\% | 28\% | 17\% | * | 54\% | 45\% |
| Aug. 6-8, 2007 | 11\% | 45\% | 26\% | 17\% | 1\% | 56\% | 43\% |
| May 4-6, 2007 | 18\% | 43\% | 25\% | 14\% | 1\% | 61\% | 39\% |
| Mar. 9-11, 2007 | 10\% | 42\% | 31\% | 15\% | 1\% | 52\% | 46\% |
| Jan. 19-21, 2007 | 15\% | 48\% | 23\% | 13\% | 1\% | 63\% | 36\% |
| Nov. 3-5, 2006 | 8\% | 41\% | 32\% | 18\% | 1\% | 49\% | 50\% |
| Oct. 27-29, 2006 | 13\% | 49\% | 24\% | 13\% | 1\% | 62\% | 37\% |
| Sept. 23-24, 2006 | 12\% | 47\% | 26\% | 15\% | * | 59\% | 41\% |
| Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2006 | 9\% | 35\% | 34\% | 22\% | * | 44\% | 56\% |
| June 14-15, 2006 | 9\% | 42\% | 31\% | 16\% | 2\% | 51\% | 47\% |
| May 7-9, 2006 | 10\% | 42\% | 26\% | 21\% | 1\% | 52\% | 47\% |

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|  | Very good | Somewhat good | Somewhat poor | Very <br> poor | No opinion | Total good | Total <br> poor |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 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.
10. Now thinking about a year from now, do you expect economic conditions in this country will be -very good, somewhat good, somewhat poor, or very poor?

|  | Very <br> good | Somewhat <br> good | Somewhat <br> poor | Very <br> poor | No <br> opinion | Total <br> good | Total <br> poor |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| July 18-20, 2011 | $4 \%$ | $36 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $59 \%$ |
| Nov. 11-14, 2010 | $4 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $46 \%$ |
| Dec. 16-20, 2009 | $5 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $*$ | $58 \%$ | $43 \%$ |
| July 31-Aug. 3, 2009 | $8 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $40 \%$ |
| Apr. 23-26, 2009 | $7 \%$ | $54 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $61 \%$ | $39 \%$ |
| Dec. 19-21, 2008 | $6 \%$ | $49 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $16 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $45 \%$ |
| Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2008 | $4 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| Sept. 19-21, 2008 | $6 \%$ | $58 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $64 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| June 4-5, 2008 | $6 \%$ | $46 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $18 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $52 \%$ | $46 \%$ |
| Mar. 14-16, 2008 | $10 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $24 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| Dec. 6-9, 2007 | $7 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $19 \%$ | $1 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $49 \%$ |
| Sept. 7-9, 2007 | $11 \%$ | $51 \%$ | $23 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| Aug. 6-8, 2007 | $12 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $60 \%$ | $38 \%$ |
| Mar. 9-11, 2007 | $10 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $28 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $5 \%$ | $53 \%$ | $42 \%$ |
| Oct. 27-29, 2006 | $13 \%$ | $48 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $61 \%$ | $36 \%$ |
| Sept. 22-24, 2006 | $12 \%$ | $50 \%$ | $26 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $35 \%$ |
| Aug. 30-Sept. 2, 2006 | $11 \%$ | $45 \%$ | $25 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $2 \%$ | $56 \%$ | $42 \%$ |

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| 2006 Mar 10-12 | 15 | 45 | 25 | 12 | 3 | 60 | 37 |
| 2005 Sep 8-11* | 8 | 41 | 32 | 18 | 1 | 49 | 50 |
| 2005 Apr 29-May 1 | 8 | 43 | 29 | 19 | 1 | 51 | 48 |
| 2004 Dec 17-19 | 17 | 43 | 24 | 15 | 1 | 60 | 39 |
| 2004 Jan 29-Feb 1 | 18 | 49 | 18 | 11 | 4 | 67 | 29 |
| 2003 Dec 5-7 | 22 | 51 | 19 | 7 | 1 | 73 | 26 |
| 2003 Oct 10-12 | 12 | 52 | 22 | 12 | 2 | 64 | 34 |
| 2003 Mar 14-15 | 9 | 49 | 25 | 15 | 2 | 58 | 40 |
| 2003 Feb 24-26 | 9 | 46 | 26 | 16 | 3 | 55 | 42 |
| 2002 Dec 9-10 | 12 | 53 | 21 | 11 | 3 | 65 | 32 |
| 2002 Oct 21-22 | 7 | 58 | 21 | 9 | 5 | 65 | 30 |
| 2002 Sep 20-22 | 14 | 57 | 20 | 7 | 2 | 71 | 27 |
| 2002 Jun 28-30 | 13 | 58 | 21 | 6 | 2 | 71 | 27 |
| 2002 Apr 5-7 | 17 | 60 | 15 | 5 | 3 | 77 | 20 |
| 2002 Jan 11-14 | 15 | 63 | 16 | 5 | 1 | 78 | 21 |
| 2001 Dec 14-16 | 17 | 59 | 14 | 7 | 3 | 76 | 21 |
| 2001 Sep 21-22 | 21 | 56 | 15 | 5 | 3 | 77 | 20 |
| 2001 Apr 20-24 | 16 | 54 | 18 | 9 | 3 | 70 | 27 |
| 2001 Feb 9-11 | 18 | 53 | 21 | 6 | 2 | 71 | 27 |
| 2001 Jan 15-16 | 13 | 55 | 22 | 8 | 2 | 68 | 30 |
| 2000 Jun 6-7 | 24 | 56 | 10 | 5 | 5 | 80 | 15 |
| 2000 Mar 10-12 | 24 | 55 | 13 | 4 | 4 | 79 | 17 |
| 1999 Jun 25-27 | 21 | 55 | 15 | 7 | 2 | 76 | 22 |
| 1999 Jan 8-10 | 25 | 56 | 12 | 4 | 3 | 81 | 16 |
| 1998 Jul 7-8 | 19 | 54 | 14 | 7 | 6 | 73 | 21 |
| 1997 Oct 27-29 | 20 | 55 | 18 | 4 | 3 | 75 | 22 |

11. 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 507 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

July 18-20
$\underline{2011}$
Democrats 38\%
Republicans 35\%
Both equally (vol.) 22\%
Neither (vol.) 5\%
No opinion
12. 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 502 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

|  | July 18-20 <br> A011 | Apr. 29-May 1 | Sept. 1-2 |
| :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
|  | $\underline{2011}$ | $\underline{\underline{2010}}$ |  |
| Obama and Democrats | $29 \%$ |  |  |
| Bush and Republicans | $57 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $33 \%$ |
| Both equally (vol.) | $10 \%$ | $55 \%$ | $53 \%$ |
| Neither (vol.) | $3 \%$ | $10 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| No opinion | $*$ | $4 \%$ | $3 \%$ |
|  |  | $*$ | $1 \%$ |

30. As you may know, a new federal agency called the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has been established. Based on what you have read or heard about that new bureau, would you say you have generally positive or negative views about it, or don't you know enough about the new bureau to say?

July 18-20
$\underline{2011}$
Positive $11 \%$
Negative $9 \%$
Don't know enough to say 80\%
No opinion


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Question 11
Do you think the Democrats or the Republicans are more responsible for the country's current economic problems?

Base = Half Sample
Democrats
Republicans
Both equally
Neither
No opinion
Sampling Error

| Total | Men | Women | White | Non-White |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | -------- |
| $38 \%$ | $43 \%$ | $33 \%$ | $45 \%$ | N/A |
| $35 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $27 \%$ | N/A |
| $22 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $17 \%$ | $22 \%$ | N/A |
| $5 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | N/A |
| $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ | N/A |
| $+/-4.5$ | $+/-6.0$ | $+/-6.5$ | $+/-5.0$ |  |

Democrats
Republicans
Both equally
Neither
No opinion
Sampling Error

Democrats
Republicans
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Republicans
Both equally
Neither
No opinion
Sampling Error

## Democrats

Republicans
Both equally
Neither
No opinion
Sampling Error

Democrats
Republicans
Both equally
Neither
No opinion
Sampling Error

* percentage less than 1\%

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Question 12
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
Obama and Democ
Bush and Republ
Both equally
Neither
No opinion

| Total | Men | Women | White | Non-White |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | -------- |
| $29 \%$ | $29 \%$ | $30 \%$ | $34 \%$ | N/A |
| $57 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $57 \%$ | $51 \%$ | N/A |
| $10 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $10 \%$ | N/A |
| $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $4 \%$ | N/A |
| $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $*$ | N/A |
| $+/-4.5$ | $+/-6.5$ | $+/-6.0$ | $+/-5.0$ |  |

Obama and Democrats
Bush and Republicans
Both equally
Neither
No opinion
Sampling Error
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Both equally
Neither
No opinion
Sampling Error

|  | $18-$ | $35-$ | $50-$ |  | Under | 50 and |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 34 | 49 | 64 | $65+$ | 50 | Older |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ---- | ---- | ---- | ----- |
| $29 \%$ | N/A | N/A | $29 \%$ | $40 \%$ | $27 \%$ | $34 \%$ |
| $57 \%$ | N/A | N/A | $58 \%$ | $44 \%$ | $62 \%$ | $52 \%$ |
| $10 \%$ | N/A | N/A | $12 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $7 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| $3 \%$ | N/A | N/A | $1 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $4 \%$ | $2 \%$ |
| $\star$ | N/A | N/A | $\star$ | $1 \%$ | $\star$ | $1 \%$ |
| $+/-4.5$ |  |  | $+/-7.5$ | $+/-7.5$ | $+/-8.0$ | $+/-5.5$ |

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Both equally
Neither
No opinion
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Both equally
Neither
No opinion
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Bush and Republicans
Both equally
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No opinion
Sampling Error

* percentage less than 1\%

Question 30
As you may know, a new federal agency called the Consumer Financial Protection Bureau has been established. Based on what you have read or heard about that new bureau, would you say you have generally positive or negative views about it, or don't you know enough about the new bureau to say?

Base $=$ Total Sample
Positive
Negative
Don't know enough to say
No opinion
Sampling Error

| Total | Men | Women | White | Non-White |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| ----- | ----- | ----- | ----- | $-------10 \%$ |
| $11 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $10 \%$ |
| $9 \%$ | $14 \%$ | $3 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $6 \%$ |
| $80 \%$ | $71 \%$ | $89 \%$ | $80 \%$ | $83 \%$ |
| $*$ | $1 \%$ | $*$ | $*$ | $*$ |
| $+1-3$ | $+1-4.5$ | -4.5 | +-3.5 | $+1-7.5$ |

Positive
Negative
Don't know enough to say
No opinion

|  | $18-$ | $35-$ | $50-$ |  | Under | 50 and |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| Total | 34 | 49 | 64 | $65+$ | 50 | Older |
| ---- | ---- | ---- | ---- | --- | ---- | ----- |
| $11 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $8 \%$ | $13 \%$ | $11 \%$ | $9 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| $9 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $12 \%$ | $6 \%$ | $12 \%$ |
| $80 \%$ | $83 \%$ | $86 \%$ | $75 \%$ | $77 \%$ | $84 \%$ | $76 \%$ |
| $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ | $\star$ |
| $+/-3.0$ | $+/-8.5$ | $+/-7.0$ | $+/-5.5$ | $+/-5.5$ | $+/-5.5$ | $+/-4.0$ |

Positive
Negative
Don't know enough to say
No opinion

Positive
Negative

| Total | Under \$50K | $\begin{aligned} & \$ 50 \mathrm{~K} \\ & \text { or more } \end{aligned}$ | No College | Attended College |  |  |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 11\% | 7\% | 13\% | 5\% | 15\% |  |  |
| 9\% | 7\% | 10\% | 7\% | 10\% |  |  |
| 80\% | 86\% | 76\% | 88\% | 75\% |  |  |
| * | * | * | * | * |  |  |
| +/-3.0 | +/-5.0 | +/-4.0 | +/-5.5 | +/-3.5 |  |  |
| Total | Democrat | Independent | Republican | $\begin{aligned} & \text { Lib- } \\ & \text { eral } \end{aligned}$ | Moderate | Conservative |
| 11\% | 18\% | 9\% | 2\% | 24\% | 10\% | 3\% |
| 9\% | 4\% | 8\% | 16\% | 4\% | 4\% | 17\% |
| 80\% | 77\% | 82\% | 82\% | 72\% | 86\% | 79\% |
| * | * | 1\% | * | * | * | * |
| +/-3.0 | +/-5.5 | +/-5.0 | +/-6.0 | +/-7.0 | -5.0 | +/-5.0 |

No opinion
Sampling Error

Positive
Negative
Don't know enough to say
No opinion
Sampling Error

Positive
Negative
Don't know enough to say
No opinion
Sampling Error

* percentage less than 1\%


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