

Interviews with 1,007 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on October 14-16, 2011. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. The sample also includes 925 interviews among registered voters (plus or minus 3 percentage points).

The sample includes 806 interviews among landline respondents and 201 interviews among cell phone respondents.

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## 15. Do you favor or oppose the U.S. war in Afghanistan?

	Oct. 14-16 2011	June 3-7 2011	May 2 2011			
Favor Oppose	34% 63%	36% 62%	42% 52%			
No opinion	3%	2%	5%			
	Jan. 21-23 2011	Dec. 17-19 2010	Oct. 5-7 2010	Sept. 21-23 2010	Sept. 1-2 2010	Aug. 6-10 2010
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Favor	40%	35%	37%	39%	41%	37%
Oppose	58%	63%	58%	58%	57%	62%
No opinion	1%	2%	5%	3%	2%	1%
	May 21-23	Mar. 19-21	Jan. 22-24	Dec. 16-20	Dec. 2-3	Nov. 13-15
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>
Favor	42%	48%	47%	43%	46%	45%
Oppose	56%	49%	52%	55%	51%	52%
No opinion	3%	3%	1%	3%	2%	3%
	Oct. 30-Nov. 1	Oct. 16-18	Sept. 11-13	Aug. 28-31	July 31-Aug. 3	3 May 14-17
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>
Favor	40%	41%	39%	42%	41%	50%
Oppose	58%	57%	58%	57%	54%	48%
No opinion	2%	2%	3%	2%	5%	3%
	Apr. 3-5	Feb. 18-19	Dec. 1-2	July 27-29	Jan. 19-21	Sept. 22-24
	<u>2009</u>	<u>2009</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2008</u>	<u>2007</u>	<u>2006</u>
Favor	53%	47%	52%	46%	44%	50%
Oppose	46%	51%	46%	52%	52%	48%
No opinion	1%	2%	2%	2%	4%	2%

16. Do you think the United States made a mistake in sending military forces to Afghanistan, or not?

	Oct. 14-16 2011
Yes	41%
No	57%
No opinion	2%

## CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	Yes	No	No <u>opinion</u>
2004 Jul 19-21	25	72	3
2002 Jan 7-9	6	93	1
2001 Nov 8-11	9	89	2

17. Do you think the war in Afghanistan has turned into a situation like the United States faced in the Vietnam War, or don't you think so?

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	Oct. 14-17 2011	Oct. 5-7 2010*	Oct. 16-18 2009
Yes, has turned into situation like Vietnam	58%	52%	52%
No, has not done so	39%	39%	46%
No opinion	3%	9%	3%

<sup>\*</sup>Asked of half sample

Do you favor or oppose the U.S. war in Afghanistan?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men			on-White			
Favor	34%	43%	26%	39%	23%			
Oppose	63%	55%	71%	58%	23° 76%			
No opinion	3%	3%	3%	3%	1%			
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	Total	34	49	64	65+	50	Older	
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Favor								
Oppose	63%	61%	59%	65%	70%	60%	67%	
No opinion	3%	2%	3%	2%	2%	3%	2%	
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0	
		Under	\$50K	No	Attende	ed		
	Total	\$50K	or more	College	_			
Favor	34%	30%	39%	31%	378			
Oppose	63%	67%	60%	65%	61%			
No opinion	3%	3%	1%	3%	28			
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5			
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		Demo-	Indep-	Repub	- Lib-	Mod-	Conse	er-
	Total	crat	endent			erate		
Favor	34%	24%	 27%	60%		 37%	449	
Oppose	63%	73%	70%	38%		62%	548	
No opinion	3%	3%	4%	1%		1%	39	
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0		+/-5.0	+/-5.(	
bamping bilor	., 3.0	., 3.3	., 5.0	., 0.0	., 0.3	., 5.0	., 5.	,
		North	Mid-				Sub-	
	Total	east	west	South	West	Urban	urban	Rural
Favor	34%	32%	 39%	 35%	32%	 35%	32%	 37%
Oppose	63%	67%	60%	63%	62%	63%	65%	59%
No opinion	3%	1%	2%	2%	6%	2%	3%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.5
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		Tea Pty	Tea Pty	Tea Pty				
	Total	Support	Neutral	Oppose				
Favor	34%	50%	34%	24%				
Oppose	63%	47%	62%	75%				
No opinion	3%	3%	3%	1%				
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.5				
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<sup>\*</sup> percentage less than 1%

Do you think the United States made a mistake in sending military forces to Afghanistan, or not?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men			on-White			
Yes	41%	32%	49%	35%	54%			
No	57%	66%	49%	63%	45%			
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%			
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5 +	/-4.5 +/	-3.5 +	/-7.0			
		18-	35-	50-		Under	50 and	
	Total	34	49	64 	65+	50	Older 	
Yes	41%	33%	38%	42%	 55%	 35%	47%	
No	57%	62%	61%	57%	44%	62%	52%	
No opinion	2%	4%	1%	1%	1%	3%	1%	
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		Under	\$50K	No	Attende	d		
	Total	\$50K	or more	College	College			
Yes	41%	46%	34%	45%	37%			
No	57%	51%	65%	52%	62%			
No opinion	2%	3%	1%	2%	1%			
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5			
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	Total	crat	endent	_		erate		
Yes	41%	49%	43%	26%	52%	41%	31%	
No	57%	470		74%	4 4 0		C 17.0	
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No opinion	2%	4%	1%	1%	4%	2%	1%	
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_	2%	4% +/-5.5	1% +/-5.0	1%	4%	2%	1% +/-5.0	
_	2% +/-3.0 Total	4% +/-5.5 North east	1% +/-5.0 Mid- west	1% +/-6.0 South	4% +/-6.5 West	2% +/-5.0 Urban	1% +/-5.0 Sub- urban	Rural
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Sampling Error Yes No	2% +/-3.0 Total  41% 57%	4% +/-5.5 North east  42% 57%	1% +/-5.0 Mid- west  40% 58%	1% +/-6.0 South  38% 60%	4% +/-6.5 West  44% 54% 2%	2% +/-5.0 Urban  40% 58%	1% +/-5.0 Sub- urban  43% 54% 3%	Rural  40% 59%
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<sup>\*</sup> percentage less than 1%

CNN/ORC International Poll -- October 14 to 16, 2011 Question 17

Do you think the war in Afghanistan has turned into a situation like the United States faced in the Vietnam War, or don't you think so?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White N	on-White			
Yes	 58%	53%	63%	 58%	 57%			
No	39%	45%	34%	38%	42%			
No opinion	3%	2%	4%	4%	1%			
Sampling Error	+/-3.0				/-7.0			
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	Total	34	49	64	65+	50	Older	
Yes	58%	48%	56%	64%	69%	52%	66%	
No	39%	47%	43%	35%	27%	45%	32%	
No opinion	3%	5%	1%	1%	4%	3%	2%	
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0	
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	Total	\$50K	or more	College	College	9		
Yes	58%	57%	57%	57%	58%	- <del>-</del>		
No	39%	40%	40%	39%	39%			
No opinion	3%	3%	2%	4%	28			
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5			
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No opinion	3%	4%	4%	*	3%	3%	28	
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	Total	North east	Mid- west	South	West	Urban	Sub- urban	Rural
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Yes	58%	58%	52%	62%	57%	59%	56%	60%
No			44%	34%	41%	39%	39%	38%
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	39% 3%	41% 2%						2.%
No opinion	3%	2%	4%	4%	2%	1%	4%	2% +/-6.5
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No opinion	3%	2%	4%	4%	2%	1%	4%	
No opinion	3%	2% +/-6.5 Tea Pty	4% +/-6.5	4% +/-5.5	2%	1%	4%	
No opinion	3% +/-3.0	2% +/-6.5 Tea Pty	4% +/-6.5 Tea Pty	4% +/-5.5 Tea Pty	2%	1%	4%	
No opinion	3% +/-3.0	2% +/-6.5 Tea Pty Support	4% +/-6.5 Tea Pty Neutral	4% +/-5.5 Tea Pty Oppose	2%	1%	4%	
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