

The logo consists of two parts. The top part is a grey rectangle containing the text 'CNN | ORC' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The 'CNN' is stylized with a white outline. A vertical line separates 'CNN' from 'ORC'. The bottom part is a black rectangle containing the word 'POLL' in a large, white, bold, sans-serif font.

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Interviews with 620 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on December 17-18, 2012. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 4 percentage points.

The sample includes 463 interviews among landline respondents and 157 interviews among cell phone respondents.

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

	<u>App- rove</u>	<u>Disapp- rove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>		<u>App- rove</u>	<u>Disapp- rove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
Dec. 17-18, 2012	52%	43%	4%	Jan. 21-23, 2011	55%	44%	1%
Nov. 16-18, 2012	52%	43%	5%	Jan. 14-16, 2011	53%	45%	2%
Nov. 2-4, 2012	51%	45%	4%	Dec. 17-19, 2010	48%	48%	4%
Sept. 28-30, 2012	49%	48%	3%	Nov. 11-14, 2010	48%	50%	3%
Sept. 7-9, 2012	51%	44%	5%	Oct. 27-30, 2010	46%	51%	4%
Aug. 31-Sept. 3, 2012	48%	45%	7%	Oct. 5-7, 2010	45%	52%	3%
Aug. 22-23, 2012	50%	44%	6%	Sept. 21-23, 2010	42%	54%	4%
Aug. 7-8, 2012	50%	47%	3%	Sept. 1-2, 2010	50%	49%	1%
June 28-July 1, 2012	51%	47%	2%	Aug. 6-10, 2010	47%	51%	2%
May 29-31, 2012	52%	47%	1%	July 16-21, 2010	47%	50%	2%
Apr. 13-15, 2012	49%	48%	3%	June 16, 2010	50%	48%	2%
Mar. 24-25, 2012	51%	45%	4%	May 21-23, 2010	51%	46%	3%
Feb. 10-13, 2012	50%	48%	2%	Apr. 9-11, 2010	51%	47%	2%
Jan. 11-12, 2012	47%	51%	3%	Mar. 25-28, 2010	51%	48%	1%
Dec. 16-18, 2011	49%	48%	3%	Mar. 19-21, 2010	46%	51%	3%
Nov. 18-20, 2011	44%	54%	3%	Feb. 12-15, 2010	49%	50%	1%
Nov. 11-13, 2011	46%	52%	2%	Jan. 22-24, 2010	49%	50%	*
Oct. 14-16, 2011	46%	50%	3%	Jan. 8-10, 2010	51%	48%	1%
Sept. 23-25, 2011	45%	52%	3%	Dec. 16-20, 2009	54%	44%	2%
Sept. 9-11, 2011	43%	55%	2%	Dec. 2-3, 2009	48%	50%	2%
Aug. 24-25, 2011	45%	54%	1%	Nov. 13-15, 2009	55%	42%	3%
Aug. 5-7, 2011	44%	54%	2%	Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	54%	45%	1%
Aug. 1, 2011	45%	52%	2%	Oct. 16-18, 2009	55%	43%	2%
July 18-20, 2011	45%	54%	2%	Sept. 11-13, 2009	58%	40%	2%
June 3-7, 2011	48%	48%	5%	Aug. 28-31, 2009	53%	45%	2%
May 24-26, 2011	54%	45%	2%	July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	56%	40%	4%
May 2, 2011	52%	43%	5%	June 26-28, 2009	61%	37%	3%
Apr. 29-May 1, 2011	51%	46%	3%	May 14-17, 2009	62%	35%	3%
Apr. 9-10, 2011	48%	50%	2%	Apr. 23-26, 2009	63%	33%	5%
Mar. 18-20, 2011	51%	47%	2%	Apr. 3-5, 2009	66%	30%	3%
Mar. 11-13, 2011	50%	47%	3%	March 12-15, 2009	64%	34%	2%
				Feb. 18-19, 2009	67%	29%	4%
				Feb. 7-8, 2009	76%	23%	1%

1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?
 1A. (IF APPROVE) Do you approve strongly, or only moderately?
 1B. (IF DISAPPROVE) Do you disapprove strongly, or only moderately?

QUESTIONS 1, 1A AND 1B COMBINED

	Dec. 17-18 <u>2012</u>	Dec. 16-18 <u>2011</u>	Jan. 21-23 <u>2011</u>	
Approve strongly	32%	26%	30%	
Approve moderately	20%	24%	24%	
Disapprove moderately	9%	14%	16%	
Disapprove strongly	34%	33%	28%	
No opinion	5%	3%	1%	

	Apr. 9-11 <u>2010</u>	Jan. 8-10 <u>2010</u>	Aug. 28-31 <u>2009</u>	Feb. 18-19 <u>2009</u>
Approve strongly	29%	26%	33%	40%
Approve moderately	22%	25%	20%	27%
Disapprove moderately	13%	12%	11%	10%
Disapprove strongly	34%	36%	34%	19%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	4%

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Hillary Clinton is handling her job as Secretary of State?

	Dec. 17-18 <u>2012</u>	Mar. 12-15 <u>2009</u>
Approve	66%	71%
Disapprove	30%	23%
No opinion	5%	5%

6. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Michelle Obama is handling her job as first lady?

	Dec. 17-18 <u>2012</u>	Oct. 5-7 <u>2010</u>
Approve	73%	65%
Disapprove	20%	25%
No opinion	7%	10%

7. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as Vice President?

Dec. 17-18

2012

Approve	54%
Disapprove	40%
No opinion	5%

8. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Timothy Geithner is handling his job as Secretary of the Treasury?

Dec. 17-18

2012

Approve	36%
Disapprove	42%
No opinion	21%

METHODOLOGY

A total of 620 adults were interviewed by telephone nationwide by live interviewers calling both landline and cell phones. All respondents were asked questions concerning basic demographics, and the entire sample was weighted to reflect national Census figures for gender, race, age, education, region of country, telephone usage and whether respondents own or rent their homes. Among the entire sample, 34% described themselves as Democrats, 41% described themselves as Independents, and 25% described themselves as Republicans.

Crosstabs on the following pages only include results for subgroups with enough unweighted cases to produce a sampling error of +/- 8.5 percentage points or less. Some subgroups represent too small a share of the national population to produce crosstabs with an acceptable sampling error. Interviews were conducted among these subgroups, but results for groups with a sampling error larger than +/-8.5 percentage points are not displayed and instead are denoted with "N/A".

Question 1

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	Reg. Voters	
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Approve	52%	53%	51%	43%	N/A	50%	
Disapprove	43%	43%	43%	51%	N/A	45%	
No opinion	4%	4%	5%	6%	N/A	5%	
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5		+/-4.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
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Approve	52%	N/A	N/A	59%	42%	52%	52%
Disapprove	43%	N/A	N/A	38%	55%	42%	45%
No opinion	4%	N/A	N/A	3%	3%	5%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0			+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
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Approve	52%	59%	47%	54%	51%
Disapprove	43%	37%	49%	41%	45%
No opinion	4%	4%	4%	5%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
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Approve	52%	94%	44%	8%	N/A	54%	29%
Disapprove	43%	4%	50%	88%	N/A	40%	68%
No opinion	4%	2%	6%	4%	N/A	7%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
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Approve	52%	61%	49%	43%	58%	67%	45%	43%
Disapprove	43%	36%	42%	53%	39%	32%	49%	51%
No opinion	4%	3%	8%	4%	3%	2%	6%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-8.5

* percentage less than 1%

Question 5

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Hillary Clinton is handling her job as Secretary of State?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	Reg. Voters	
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Approve	66%	59%	72%	59%	N/A	64%	
Disapprove	30%	37%	22%	35%	N/A	31%	
No opinion	5%	4%	5%	6%	N/A	5%	
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5		+/-4.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
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Approve	66%	N/A	N/A	79%	62%	61%	72%
Disapprove	30%	N/A	N/A	19%	34%	33%	25%
No opinion	5%	N/A	N/A	2%	4%	6%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0			+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
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Approve	66%	66%	67%	67%	66%
Disapprove	30%	31%	27%	28%	30%
No opinion	5%	3%	6%	5%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
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Approve	66%	92%	59%	41%	N/A	71%	50%
Disapprove	30%	3%	36%	55%	N/A	25%	45%
No opinion	5%	5%	5%	4%	N/A	4%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
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Approve	66%	68%	62%	67%	66%	73%	61%	63%
Disapprove	30%	25%	33%	28%	33%	21%	34%	35%
No opinion	5%	7%	5%	5%	1%	7%	5%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-8.5

* percentage less than 1%

Question 6

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Michelle Obama is handling her job as First Lady?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	Reg. Voters		
Approve	73%	69%	78%	71%	N/A	72%		
Disapprove	20%	22%	18%	23%	N/A	21%		
No opinion	7%	10%	4%	6%	N/A	7%		
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5		+/-4.0		

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	73%	N/A	N/A	77%	63%	75%	72%
Disapprove	20%	N/A	N/A	19%	29%	18%	23%
No opinion	7%	N/A	N/A	4%	8%	8%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0			+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	73%	78%	72%	73%	74%
Disapprove	20%	15%	22%	18%	20%
No opinion	7%	7%	6%	8%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	73%	96%	69%	49%	N/A	79%	57%
Disapprove	20%	1%	22%	43%	N/A	14%	33%
No opinion	7%	2%	8%	9%	N/A	7%	10%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	73%	76%	71%	76%	69%	78%	71%	70%
Disapprove	20%	22%	24%	18%	17%	14%	23%	25%
No opinion	7%	3%	5%	6%	13%	8%	6%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-8.5

* percentage less than 1%

Question 7

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Joe Biden is handling his job as Vice President?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	Reg. Voters		
Approve	54%	55%	54%	48%	N/A	54%		
Disapprove	40%	41%	39%	47%	N/A	41%		
No opinion	5%	4%	7%	5%	N/A	5%		
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5		+/-4.0		

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	54%	N/A	N/A	59%	47%	55%	54%
Disapprove	40%	N/A	N/A	38%	47%	39%	42%
No opinion	5%	N/A	N/A	3%	6%	6%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0			+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	54%	58%	51%	56%	54%
Disapprove	40%	37%	44%	38%	41%
No opinion	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	54%	89%	50%	13%	N/A	54%	36%
Disapprove	40%	5%	43%	84%	N/A	39%	59%
No opinion	5%	5%	7%	3%	N/A	7%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	54%	61%	54%	49%	56%	66%	53%	40%
Disapprove	40%	34%	42%	45%	39%	30%	42%	53%
No opinion	5%	5%	5%	6%	5%	5%	5%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-8.5

* percentage less than 1%

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Question 8

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Timothy Geithner is handling his job as Secretary of the Treasury?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	Reg. Voters		
Approve	36%	36%	36%	34%	N/A	35%		
Disapprove	42%	47%	37%	46%	N/A	45%		
No opinion	21%	16%	26%	20%	N/A	21%		
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5		+/-4.0		

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	36%	N/A	N/A	45%	39%	32%	43%
Disapprove	42%	N/A	N/A	40%	44%	43%	41%
No opinion	21%	N/A	N/A	15%	18%	26%	16%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0			+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	36%	40%	32%	39%	35%
Disapprove	42%	42%	45%	36%	46%
No opinion	21%	19%	23%	25%	19%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5	+/-4.5

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	36%	52%	32%	21%	N/A	45%	23%
Disapprove	42%	20%	50%	60%	N/A	42%	54%
No opinion	21%	28%	18%	19%	N/A	13%	23%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.5		+/-6.5	+/-6.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	36%	41%	35%	39%	30%	42%	32%	37%
Disapprove	42%	36%	42%	46%	45%	35%	49%	36%
No opinion	21%	23%	24%	16%	25%	23%	19%	26%
Sampling Error	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-8.5

* percentage less than 1%