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# **CNN | ORC POLL**

**Interviews with 814 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on January 14-15, 2013. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.**

**The sample includes 556 interviews among landline respondents and 248 interviews among cell phone respondents.**

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2. Regardless of whether you approve or disapprove of Barack Obama, do you think he has met your expectations for how he would handle his job as president, or has he exceeded your expectations, or has he fallen short of your expectations?

	Jan. 14-15 <u>2013</u>	Sept. 9-11 <u>2011</u>	Sept. 21-23 <u>2010</u>	Dec. 16-20 <u>2009</u>	May 16-18 <u>2009</u>	Feb. 18-19 <u>2009</u>
Met	40%	32%	32%	39%	52%	58%
Exceeded	13%	7%	9%	11%	17%	16%
Fallen short	46%	60%	56%	48%	28%	23%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<b>The economy</b>	48%	51%	1%
<b>Health care policy</b>	50%	49%	2%
<b>Foreign affairs</b>	54%	42%	4%
<b>Gun policy</b>	46%	49%	6%
<b>The federal budget deficit</b>	41%	57%	2%

**Version A** (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 408 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A - SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

<b>Immigration</b>	51%	43%	5%
<b>Environmental policy</b>	60%	36%	4%
<b>The situation in Afghanistan</b>	54%	42%	4%
<b>Policies toward gays and lesbians</b>	59%	33%	8%
<b>Education</b>	60%	34%	5%

**Version B** (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 406 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B -- SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

<b>Social Security and Medicare</b>	51%	45%	3%
<b>Taxes</b>	50%	47%	3%
<b>Energy policy</b>	55%	40%	5%
<b>Abortion</b>	53%	35%	12%
<b>Terrorism</b>	65%	33%	2%

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5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<b>The economy</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	48%	51%	1%
November 11-13, 2011	35%	63%	2%
September 9-11, 2011	36%	61%	3%
August 24-25, 2011	34%	65%	1%
August 5-7, 2011	34%	64%	2%
May 24-26, 2011	41%	58%	1%
May 2, 2011	42%	56%	2%
March 18-20, 2011	39%	60%	1%
January 21-23, 2011	45%	54%	*
November 11-14, 2010	40%	58%	2%
September 1-2, 2010	40%	59%	2%
July 16-21, 2010	42%	57%	*
March 25-28, 2010	44%	55%	1%
March 19-21, 2010	43%	54%	2%
January 8-10, 2010	44%	54%	2%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009	46%	54%	1%
September 11-13, 2009	54%	45%	1%
August 28-31, 2009*	49%	51%	*
March 12-15, 2009	59%	40%	2%
<b>Health care policy</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	50%	49%	2%
November 11-13, 2011	38%	59%	3%
May 24-26, 2011	40%	57%	2%
March 18-20, 2011	41%	58%	2%
January 21-23, 2011	44%	55%	1%
July 16-21, 2010	44%	54%	2%
March 25-28, 2010	45%	54%	1%
March 19-21, 2010	40%	58%	2%
January 8-10, 2010	40%	59%	1%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009	42%	57%	2%
September 11-13, 2009	51%	47%	2%
August 28-31, 2009*	44%	53%	3%
March 12-15, 2009*	57%	41%	2%

\*Asked of half sample

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<b>Foreign affairs</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	54%	42%	4%
September 9-11, 2011	47%	50%	3%
August 24-25, 2011	50%	47%	3%
August 5-7, 2011	47%	50%	3%
March 18-20, 2011	54%	43%	3%
January 21-23, 2011	57%	40%	3%
November 11-14, 2010	49%	46%	5%
March 25-28, 2010	51%	44%	4%
January 8-10, 2010	51%	46%	3%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009	51%	47%	2%
September 11-13, 2009	58%	38%	4%
August 28-31, 2009*	54%	42%	3%
March 12-15, 2009	66%	28%	6%
<b>Gun policy</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	46%	49%	6%
<b>The federal budget deficit</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	41%	57%	2%
August 24-25, 2011	33%	66%	1%
August 5-7, 2011	34%	64%	2%
May 24-26, 2011	34%	64%	2%
May 2, 2011	35%	61%	3%
March 18-20, 2011	36%	62%	2%
January 21-23, 2011	38%	60%	2%
November 11-14, 2010	36%	61%	3%
July 16-21, 2010	36%	62%	2%
March 19-21, 2010	36%	62%	2%
January 8-10, 2010	36%	62%	1%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009*	39%	60%	2%
September 11-13, 2009	46%	51%	3%
August 28-31, 2009*	36%	63%	1%
March 12-15, 2009*	52%	47%	2%

\*Asked of half sample

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)  
 (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 408 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A --  
 SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<b>Immigration</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	51%	43%	5%
January 21-23, 2011	38%	57%	4%
July 16-21, 2010	38%	59%	3%
March 19-21, 2010	37%	56%	7%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009	36%	58%	6%
<i>QUESTION WORDING PRIOR TO 2013: "Illegal immigration"</i>			
<b>Environmental policy</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	60%	36%	4%
March 19-21, 2010	55%	37%	8%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009	62%	33%	5%
<b>The situation in Afghanistan</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	54%	42%	4%
November 11-13, 2011	48%	48%	4%
May 24-26, 2011	55%	42%	3%
May 2, 2011	58%	36%	6%
January 21-23, 2011	51%	46%	3%
September 1-2, 2010	48%	47%	5%
July 16-21, 2010	46%	51%	3%
March 19-21, 2010	55%	42%	3%
January 8-10, 2010	51%	47%	3%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009	42%	56%	2%
August 28-31, 2009*	49%	46%	5%
March 12-15, 2009*	67%	29%	5%
<b>Policies toward gays and lesbians</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	59%	33%	8%
<b>Education</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	60%	34%	5%
March 19-21, 2010	56%	41%	3%
March 12-15, 2009*	65%	30%	5%

\*Asked of half sample

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)  
 (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 406 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B --  
 SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<b>Social Security and Medicare</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	51%	45%	3%
May 24-26, 2011	44%	53%	3%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009*	47%	48%	5%
August 28-31, 2009*	46%	48%	5%

QUESTION WORDING PRIOR TO 2013: "Medicare"

**Taxes**

January 14-15, 2013	50%	47%	3%
May 24-26, 2011	46%	53%	1%
January 21-23, 2011	46%	52%	2%
November 11-14, 2010	43%	53%	4%
January 8-10, 2010	44%	53%	3%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009*	49%	50%	1%
September 11-13, 2009	52%	43%	5%
August 28-31, 2009*	45%	52%	2%
March 12-15, 2009*	62%	37%	1%

**Energy policy**

January 14-15, 2013	55%	40%	5%
March 18-20, 2011	47%	46%	7%
January 21-23, 2011	49%	43%	8%
March 12-15, 2009	63%	33%	4%

**Abortion**

January 14-15, 2013	53%	35%	12%
March 25-28, 2010	40%	47%	13%

5. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling: (RANDOM ORDER)  
 (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 406 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B --  
 SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<b>Terrorism</b>			
January 14-15, 2013	65%	33%	2%
August 24-25, 2011	62%	37%	1%
August 5-7, 2011	62%	35%	3%
May 24-26, 2011	65%	34%	1%
May 2, 2011	67%	30%	3%
January 21-23, 2011	60%	38%	3%
November 11-14, 2010	56%	38%	6%
September 1-2, 2010	50%	47%	3%
July 16-21, 2010	52%	46%	2%
March 19-21, 2010	53%	45%	2%
January 8-10, 2010	50%	49%	1%
August 28-31, 2009*	52%	45%	3%
March 12-15, 2009*	61%	35%	4%

\*Asked of half sample



14. Which of the following is the most important issue facing the country today?  
(RANDOM ORDER)

Jan. 14-15  
2013

The economy	46%
The federal budget deficit	23%
Health care	14%
Gun policy	6%
Foreign policy	4%
Immigration	3%
The environment	2%
Other (vol.)	1%
No opinion	*

## **METHODOLOGY**

A total of 814 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, and telephone usage. Among the entire sample, 34% described themselves as Democrats, 26% described themselves as Republicans, and 40% described themselves as Independents or members of another party

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 2

Regardless of whether you approve or disapprove of Barack Obama, do you think he has met your expectations for how he would handle his job as president, or has he exceeded your expectations, or has he fallen short of your expectations?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Met expectations	40%	37%	42%	36%	48%	39%	41%	36%	44%
Exceeded expectations	13%	11%	15%	9%	23%	19%	9%	14%	9%
Fallen short	46%	49%	43%	54%	27%	39%	48%	48%	47%
No opinion	2%	3%	*	1%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Met expectations	40%	44%	41%	36%	36%	43%	36%
Exceeded expectations	13%	16%	6%	18%	11%	12%	15%
Fallen short	46%	38%	51%	46%	50%	44%	47%
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Met expectations	40%	37%	42%	40%	39%
Exceeded expectations	13%	18%	9%	16%	10%
Fallen short	46%	44%	47%	42%	49%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Met expectations	40%	56%	37%	21%	45%	46%	27%
Exceeded expectations	13%	22%	10%	5%	16%	13%	12%
Fallen short	46%	19%	50%	74%	39%	38%	59%
No opinion	2%	3%	2%	*	*	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5A

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

A. The economy

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	48%	44%	51%	37%	71%	56%	47%	39%	52%
Disapprove	51%	54%	48%	62%	27%	44%	51%	59%	48%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	48%	54%	44%	47%	48%	49%	47%
Disapprove	51%	44%	56%	53%	50%	50%	52%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	*	2%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	48%	50%	47%	52%	45%
Disapprove	51%	49%	52%	48%	53%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	*	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	48%	79%	43%	15%	65%	54%	31%
Disapprove	51%	20%	55%	85%	35%	45%	68%
No opinion	1%	2%	2%	*	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5B

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

B. Health care policy

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	50%	47%	53%	39%	73%	60%	50%	43%	50%
Disapprove	49%	51%	46%	59%	26%	38%	49%	55%	49%
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	50%	56%	46%	46%	52%	51%	48%
Disapprove	49%	43%	54%	52%	47%	48%	50%
No opinion	2%	2%	*	2%	1%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	50%	54%	45%	52%	48%
Disapprove	49%	45%	54%	45%	51%
No opinion	2%	1%	1%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	50%	81%	46%	16%	65%	56%	33%
Disapprove	49%	19%	51%	84%	35%	42%	66%
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	*	*	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5C

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

C. Foreign affairs

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	54%	51%	57%	45%	73%	57%	56%	50%	55%
Disapprove	42%	44%	40%	51%	23%	40%	40%	46%	41%
No opinion	4%	4%	3%	4%	4%	4%	4%	4%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	54%	58%	53%	51%	54%	56%	52%
Disapprove	42%	35%	44%	49%	42%	39%	46%
No opinion	4%	6%	3%	*	4%	5%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	54%	61%	49%	56%	52%
Disapprove	42%	36%	48%	39%	45%
No opinion	4%	3%	3%	5%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	54%	82%	51%	22%	67%	61%	38%
Disapprove	42%	15%	45%	75%	29%	36%	58%
No opinion	4%	4%	4%	2%	4%	3%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5D

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

D. Gun policy

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	46%	40%	52%	39%	60%	51%	45%	42%	46%
Disapprove	49%	55%	42%	57%	30%	41%	51%	52%	49%
No opinion	6%	5%	6%	4%	11%	8%	4%	6%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	46%	44%	48%	43%	50%	46%	46%
Disapprove	49%	49%	48%	50%	46%	48%	49%
No opinion	6%	7%	4%	7%	5%	6%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	46%	52%	43%	48%	44%
Disapprove	49%	44%	51%	47%	50%
No opinion	6%	4%	7%	5%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	46%	68%	43%	22%	61%	50%	34%
Disapprove	49%	23%	52%	76%	36%	42%	62%
No opinion	6%	9%	5%	3%	4%	8%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5E

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

E. The federal budget deficit

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	41%	37%	44%	32%	58%	47%	42%	34%	42%
Disapprove	57%	60%	54%	66%	38%	49%	55%	64%	56%
No opinion	2%	3%	2%	2%	4%	4%	3%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	41%	39%	39%	42%	43%	39%	42%
Disapprove	57%	57%	60%	58%	54%	58%	56%
No opinion	2%	5%	1%	1%	3%	3%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	41%	45%	36%	45%	37%
Disapprove	57%	52%	63%	52%	61%
No opinion	2%	4%	1%	3%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	41%	65%	40%	8%	57%	44%	26%
Disapprove	57%	31%	57%	91%	42%	54%	71%
No opinion	2%	4%	2%	1%	1%	1%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5

\* percentage less than 1%



Question 5F

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

F. Immigration

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	51%	48%	55%	39%	N/A	N/A	N/A	49%	N/A
Disapprove	43%	48%	38%	54%	N/A	N/A	N/A	45%	N/A
No opinion	5%	3%	7%	7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	6%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5				+/-8.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	51%	N/A	N/A	N/A	44%	57%	44%
Disapprove	43%	N/A	N/A	N/A	48%	38%	50%
No opinion	5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	8%	5%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0				+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	51%	57%	47%	53%	49%
Disapprove	43%	40%	45%	43%	44%
No opinion	5%	3%	8%	4%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	51%	75%	46%	N/A	N/A	59%	33%
Disapprove	43%	21%	46%	N/A	N/A	37%	61%
No opinion	5%	4%	7%	N/A	N/A	4%	7%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5G

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

G. Environmental policy

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	60%	55%	65%	48%	N/A	N/A	N/A	53%	N/A
Disapprove	36%	41%	31%	47%	N/A	N/A	N/A	41%	N/A
No opinion	4%	4%	4%	5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	7%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5				+/-8.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	60%	N/A	N/A	N/A	60%	64%	56%
Disapprove	36%	N/A	N/A	N/A	38%	31%	42%
No opinion	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A	2%	4%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0				+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	60%	65%	57%	63%	57%
Disapprove	36%	34%	38%	33%	38%
No opinion	4%	1%	5%	3%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	60%	90%	53%	N/A	N/A	69%	41%
Disapprove	36%	8%	39%	N/A	N/A	27%	55%
No opinion	4%	2%	8%	N/A	N/A	4%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5H

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

H. The situation in Afghanistan

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	54%	50%	57%	45%	N/A	N/A	N/A	49%	N/A
Disapprove	42%	46%	38%	50%	N/A	N/A	N/A	47%	N/A
No opinion	4%	4%	4%	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A	3%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5				+/-8.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	54%	N/A	N/A	N/A	56%	55%	53%
Disapprove	42%	N/A	N/A	N/A	41%	40%	44%
No opinion	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A	3%	5%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0				+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	54%	59%	50%	53%	54%
Disapprove	42%	37%	45%	43%	41%
No opinion	4%	4%	6%	4%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Demo-ocrat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	54%	79%	52%	N/A	N/A	59%	37%
Disapprove	42%	17%	43%	N/A	N/A	38%	55%
No opinion	4%	4%	6%	N/A	N/A	4%	8%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5I

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

I. Policies toward gays and lesbians

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	59%	50%	68%	55%	N/A	N/A	N/A	57%	N/A
Disapprove	33%	39%	27%	37%	N/A	N/A	N/A	39%	N/A
No opinion	8%	11%	5%	8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5				+/-8.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	59%	N/A	N/A	N/A	53%	67%	50%
Disapprove	33%	N/A	N/A	N/A	40%	27%	42%
No opinion	8%	N/A	N/A	N/A	7%	6%	9%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0				+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	59%	58%	61%	51%	64%
Disapprove	33%	36%	32%	44%	27%
No opinion	8%	7%	7%	6%	9%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	59%	85%	58%	N/A	N/A	66%	39%
Disapprove	33%	14%	30%	N/A	N/A	30%	50%
No opinion	8%	1%	12%	N/A	N/A	4%	11%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5J

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

J. Education

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	60%	54%	67%	52%	N/A	N/A	N/A	55%	N/A
Disapprove	34%	42%	27%	41%	N/A	N/A	N/A	39%	N/A
No opinion	5%	4%	6%	7%	N/A	N/A	N/A	6%	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5				+/-8.0	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	60%	N/A	N/A	N/A	56%	65%	54%
Disapprove	34%	N/A	N/A	N/A	40%	30%	40%
No opinion	5%	N/A	N/A	N/A	3%	5%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0				+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	60%	64%	54%	62%	59%
Disapprove	34%	30%	40%	37%	33%
No opinion	5%	5%	6%	2%	8%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-8.5	+/-6.0

	Total	Demo-cratic	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	60%	85%	61%	N/A	N/A	67%	44%
Disapprove	34%	13%	34%	N/A	N/A	29%	47%
No opinion	5%	2%	5%	N/A	N/A	3%	9%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5K

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

K. Social Security and Medicare

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	51%	50%	52%	42%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disapprove	45%	47%	44%	54%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
No opinion	3%	2%	4%	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5					

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	51%	N/A	N/A	50%	N/A	52%	50%
Disapprove	45%	N/A	N/A	46%	N/A	46%	45%
No opinion	3%	N/A	N/A	4%	N/A	2%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0			+/-8.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	51%	52%	50%	56%	47%
Disapprove	45%	45%	47%	41%	49%
No opinion	3%	3%	3%	3%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	51%	N/A	46%	N/A	N/A	62%	34%
Disapprove	45%	N/A	49%	N/A	N/A	34%	63%
No opinion	3%	N/A	4%	N/A	N/A	4%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0		+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5L

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

L. Taxes

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	50%	45%	54%	41%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disapprove	47%	50%	45%	57%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
No opinion	3%	5%	1%	2%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5					

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	50%	N/A	N/A	51%	N/A	49%	51%
Disapprove	47%	N/A	N/A	48%	N/A	47%	49%
No opinion	3%	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	5%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0			+/-8.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	50%	51%	49%	57%	44%
Disapprove	47%	46%	50%	41%	53%
No opinion	3%	3%	1%	3%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	50%	N/A	48%	N/A	N/A	62%	30%
Disapprove	47%	N/A	51%	N/A	N/A	34%	69%
No opinion	3%	N/A	1%	N/A	N/A	4%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0		+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 5M

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

M. Energy policy

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	55%	51%	59%	47%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disapprove	40%	43%	37%	48%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
No opinion	5%	6%	4%	4%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5					

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	55%	N/A	N/A	53%	N/A	58%	50%
Disapprove	40%	N/A	N/A	47%	N/A	35%	47%
No opinion	5%	N/A	N/A	1%	N/A	7%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0			+/-8.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	55%	62%	51%	60%	51%
Disapprove	40%	35%	44%	35%	44%
No opinion	5%	3%	4%	4%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	55%	N/A	52%	N/A	N/A	65%	42%
Disapprove	40%	N/A	43%	N/A	N/A	31%	54%
No opinion	5%	N/A	6%	N/A	N/A	5%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0		+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%



Question 5N

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

N. Abortion

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	53%	54%	51%	49%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disapprove	35%	32%	38%	39%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
No opinion	12%	13%	12%	12%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5					

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	53%	N/A	N/A	52%	N/A	55%	50%
Disapprove	35%	N/A	N/A	38%	N/A	32%	39%
No opinion	12%	N/A	N/A	10%	N/A	13%	12%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0			+/-8.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	53%	52%	58%	46%	58%
Disapprove	35%	33%	35%	38%	32%
No opinion	12%	15%	7%	16%	10%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Demo-crat	Indep-endent	Repub-lican	Lib-eral	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	53%	N/A	50%	N/A	N/A	62%	34%
Disapprove	35%	N/A	36%	N/A	N/A	25%	58%
No opinion	12%	N/A	14%	N/A	N/A	13%	9%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0		+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 50

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling:

O. Terrorism

Base = Half Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
Approve	65%	68%	62%	58%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Disapprove	33%	30%	37%	40%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	2%	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5					

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	65%	N/A	N/A	72%	N/A	65%	64%
Disapprove	33%	N/A	N/A	25%	N/A	34%	33%
No opinion	2%	N/A	N/A	3%	N/A	1%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0			+/-8.5		+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	65%	68%	65%	67%	63%
Disapprove	33%	31%	33%	31%	35%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.0	+/-8.0	+/-6.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	65%	N/A	63%	N/A	N/A	76%	46%
Disapprove	33%	N/A	36%	N/A	N/A	22%	53%
No opinion	2%	N/A	2%	N/A	N/A	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-5.0		+/-7.5			+/-8.0	+/-8.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 14

Which of the following is the most important issue facing the country today?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	North east	Mid-west	South	West
The economy	46%	50%	43%	49%	41%	49%	45%	47%	45%
The federal budget deficit	23%	23%	22%	24%	19%	18%	24%	24%	23%
Health care	14%	7%	21%	13%	18%	20%	13%	9%	14%
Foreign policy	4%	6%	1%	3%	4%	3%	2%	4%	5%
Immigration	3%	3%	3%	2%	6%	1%	4%	4%	5%
Gun policy	6%	7%	6%	5%	10%	2%	8%	10%	5%
The environment	2%	2%	3%	3%	2%	4%	2%	1%	3%
Other	1%	1%	1%	1%	*	*	1%	1%	*
No opinion	*	1%	*	1%	*	1%	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
The economy	46%	40%	54%	43%	51%	46%	46%
The federal budget deficit	23%	18%	22%	27%	26%	20%	26%
Health care	14%	19%	12%	10%	13%	16%	11%
Foreign policy	4%	5%	2%	4%	1%	4%	3%
Immigration	3%	6%	1%	5%	1%	4%	3%
Gun policy	6%	8%	7%	6%	5%	7%	6%
The environment	2%	4%	2%	2%	1%	3%	2%
Other	1%	*	*	2%	2%	*	2%
No opinion	*	1%	*	1%	1%	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
The economy	46%	46%	48%	43%	49%
The federal budget deficit	23%	19%	28%	20%	25%
Health care	14%	16%	11%	18%	10%
Foreign policy	4%	5%	1%	5%	2%
Immigration	3%	4%	2%	4%	3%
Gun policy	6%	7%	6%	7%	6%
The environment	2%	2%	2%	2%	3%
Other	1%	1%	*	1%	1%
No opinion	*	1%	*	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
The economy	46%	47%	47%	44%	53%	45%	45%
The federal budget deficit	23%	18%	21%	31%	13%	26%	26%
Health care	14%	18%	13%	10%	16%	14%	13%
Foreign policy	4%	1%	5%	5%	5%	1%	5%
Immigration	3%	3%	4%	3%	6%	5%	1%
Gun policy	6%	7%	7%	5%	3%	7%	7%
The environment	2%	5%	1%	1%	4%	3%	1%
Other	1%	*	1%	1%	*	1%	1%
No opinion	*	1%	1%	*	*	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-7.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5

\* percentage less than 1%