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POLL

Interviews with 843 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on November 18-20, 2013. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3.5 percentage points.

The sample includes 595 interviews among landline respondents and 248 interviews among cell phone respondents.

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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- App- rove</u>	<u>Disapp- Disapp- rove</u>	<u>No No opinion</u>
Nov. 18-20, 2013	41%	56%	3%				
Oct. 18-20, 2013	44%	52%	4%	Apr. 9-10, 2011	48%	50%	2%
Sept. 27-29, 2013	44%	53%	4%	March 18-20, 2011	51%	47%	2%
Sept. 6-8, 2013	45%	52%	3%	March 11-13, 2011	50%	47%	3%
June 11-13, 2013	45%	54%	1%	Jan. 21-23, 2011	55%	44%	1%
May 17-18, 2013	53%	45%	2%	Jan. 14-16, 2011	53%	45%	2%
April 5-7, 2013	51%	47%	3%	Dec. 17-19, 2010	48%	48%	4%
March 15-17, 2013	47%	50%	3%	Nov. 11-14, 2010	48%	50%	3%
Jan. 14-15, 2013	55%	43%	2%	Oct. 27-30, 2010	46%	51%	4%
Dec. 17-18, 2012	52%	43%	4%	Oct. 5-7, 2010	45%	52%	3%
Nov. 16-18, 2012	52%	43%	5%	Sept. 21-23, 2010	42%	54%	4%
Nov. 2-4, 2012	51%	45%	4%	Sept. 1-2, 2010	50%	49%	1%
Sept. 28-30, 2012	49%	48%	3%	Aug. 6-10, 2010	47%	51%	2%
Sept. 7-9, 2012	51%	44%	5%	July 16-21, 2010	47%	50%	2%
Aug. 31-Sept. 3, 2012	48%	45%	7%	June 16, 2010	50%	48%	2%
Aug. 22-23, 2012	50%	44%	6%	May 21-23, 2010	51%	46%	3%
Aug. 7-8, 2012	50%	47%	3%	Apr. 9-11, 2010	51%	47%	2%
June 28-July 1, 2012	51%	47%	2%	March 25-28, 2010	51%	48%	1%
May 29-31, 2012	52%	47%	1%	March 19-21, 2010	46%	51%	3%
Apr. 13-15, 2012	49%	48%	3%	Feb. 12-15, 2010	49%	50%	1%
March 24-25, 2012	51%	45%	4%	Jan. 22-24, 2010	49%	50%	*
Feb. 10-13, 2012	50%	48%	2%	Jan. 8-10, 2010	51%	48%	1%
Jan. 11-12, 2012	47%	51%	3%	Dec. 16-20, 2009	54%	44%	2%
Dec. 16-18, 2011	49%	48%	3%	Dec. 2-3, 2009	48%	50%	2%
Nov. 18-20, 2011	44%	54%	3%	Nov. 13-15, 2009	55%	42%	3%
Nov. 11-13, 2011	46%	52%	2%	Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	54%	45%	1%
Oct. 14-16, 2011	46%	50%	3%	Oct. 16-18, 2009	55%	43%	2%
Sept. 23-25, 2011	45%	52%	3%	Sept. 11-13, 2009	58%	40%	2%
Sept. 9-11, 2011	43%	55%	2%	Aug. 28-31, 2009	53%	45%	2%
Aug. 24-25, 2011	45%	54%	1%	July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	56%	40%	4%
Aug. 5-7, 2011	44%	54%	2%	June 26-28, 2009	61%	37%	3%
Aug. 1, 2011	45%	52%	2%	May 14-17, 2009	62%	35%	3%
July 18-20, 2011	45%	54%	2%	Apr. 23-26, 2009	63%	33%	5%
June 3-7, 2011	48%	48%	5%	Apr. 3-5, 2009	66%	30%	3%
May 24-26, 2011	54%	45%	2%	March 12-15, 2009	64%	34%	2%
May 2, 2011	52%	43%	5%	Feb. 18-19, 2009	67%	29%	4%
Apr. 29-May 1, 2011	51%	46%	3%	Feb. 7-8, 2009	76%	23%	1%

*ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE

3. Who do you think will have more influence over the direction the nation takes in the next year -- Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

	Nov. 18-20 <u>2013</u>	Nov. 16-18 <u>2012</u>	May 24-26 <u>2011</u>	Jan. 14-16 <u>2011</u>
Obama	42%	61%	44%	36%
Republicans	50%	33%	48%	56%
Both equally (vol.)	3%	2%	5%	5%
No opinion	5%	4%	3%	3%

QUESTION WORDING PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 2013: *Who do you think will have more influence over the direction the nation takes in the next two years -- Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress?*

4. And who do you WANT to have more influence over the direction the nation takes in the next year -- Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

	Nov. 18-20 <u>2013</u>	Nov. 16-18 <u>2012</u>	May 24-26 <u>2011</u>	Jan. 14-16 <u>2011</u>
Obama	47%	51%	50%	50%
Republicans	45%	42%	45%	44%
Both equally (vol.)	2%	3%	2%	5%
No opinion	6%	5%	3%	1%

QUESTION WORDING PRIOR TO NOVEMBER 2013: *And who do you WANT to have more influence over the direction the nation takes in the next two years -- Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress?*

METHODOLOGY

A total of 843 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, 31% described themselves as Democrats, 23% described themselves as Republicans, and 46% 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".

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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	
Approve	41%	39%	43%	30%	64%	41%	
Disapprove	56%	60%	53%	67%	32%	57%	
No opinion	3%	2%	4%	2%	4%	3%	
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-7.0	+/-3.5	

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	41%	51%	33%	38%	40%	43%	39%
Disapprove	56%	44%	65%	62%	58%	53%	60%
No opinion	3%	6%	2%	*	2%	4%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	41%	46%	38%	39%	42%
Disapprove	56%	51%	60%	58%	55%
No opinion	3%	4%	2%	3%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Mod-erate	Conser-vative
Approve	41%	78%	32%	8%	71%	40%	21%
Disapprove	56%	19%	63%	92%	25%	56%	79%
No opinion	3%	3%	4%	*	4%	4%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-7.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	41%	41%	36%	43%	40%	51%	39%	31%
Disapprove	56%	57%	60%	55%	54%	45%	58%	66%
No opinion	3%	1%	4%	2%	5%	4%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-7.0

* percentage less than 1%

Question 3

Who do you think will have more influence over the direction the nation takes in the next year -- Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	Reg. Voters
Obama	42%	42%	42%	36%	54%	42%
GOPs	50%	48%	52%	56%	38%	50%
Both equally	3%	4%	3%	3%	3%	3%
No opinion	5%	6%	4%	5%	5%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-7.0	+/-3.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Obama	42%	44%	39%	40%	43%	41%	41%
GOPs	50%	48%	53%	52%	46%	50%	50%
Both equally	3%	3%	2%	3%	5%	3%	4%
No opinion	5%	5%	6%	5%	6%	5%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Obama	42%	42%	42%	37%	45%
GOPs	50%	50%	49%	55%	46%
Both equally	3%	3%	3%	1%	5%
No opinion	5%	5%	5%	7%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Obama	42%	60%	38%	26%	54%	42%	31%
GOPs	50%	35%	49%	71%	42%	46%	62%
Both equally	3%	2%	5%	2%	2%	5%	3%
No opinion	5%	3%	8%	2%	2%	7%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-7.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Obama	42%	41%	36%	39%	51%	44%	45%	34%
GOPs	50%	54%	52%	53%	40%	46%	49%	56%
Both equally	3%	2%	4%	2%	5%	3%	3%	2%
No opinion	5%	3%	8%	5%	4%	7%	2%	8%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-7.0

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Question 4

And who do you WANT to have more influence over the direction the nation takes in the next year -- Barack Obama or the Republicans in Congress?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White	Reg. Voters		
Obama	47%	45%	49%	36%	72%	47%		
GOPs	45%	46%	44%	55%	22%	45%		
Both equally	2%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%		
No opinion	6%	7%	5%	7%	4%	6%		
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.0	+/-7.0	+/-3.5		

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Obama	47%	54%	43%	45%	46%	49%	45%
GOPs	45%	37%	50%	49%	46%	42%	48%
Both equally	2%	3%	2%	1%	2%	3%	1%
No opinion	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-8.5	+/-8.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Obama	47%	54%	43%	49%	46%
GOPs	45%	38%	50%	44%	46%
Both equally	2%	2%	1%	1%	2%
No opinion	6%	6%	6%	6%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.0	+/-4.0

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Obama	47%	91%	36%	11%	82%	48%	22%
GOPs	45%	6%	50%	87%	16%	39%	72%
Both equally	2%	1%	3%	1%	*	3%	1%
No opinion	6%	2%	11%	1%	1%	10%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-6.5	+/-7.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Obama	47%	51%	38%	47%	52%	61%	45%	33%
GOPs	45%	40%	50%	48%	41%	29%	49%	56%
Both equally	2%	3%	3%	1%	2%	2%	2%	1%
No opinion	6%	6%	9%	4%	5%	7%	3%	10%
Sampling Error	+/-3.5	+/-7.5	+/-7.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-7.0

* percentage less than 1%