

The logo consists of two parts. The top part is a grey rectangular box containing the text 'CNN | ORC' in a bold, black, sans-serif font. The 'CNN' is in a stylized, outlined font, while 'ORC' is in a solid, bold font. A vertical line separates 'CNN' and 'ORC'. The bottom part is a black rectangular box containing the word 'POLL' in a large, white, bold, sans-serif font.

Interviews with 1,010 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on September 23-25, 2011. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. The sample also includes 917 interviews among registered voters (plus or minus 3 percentage points).

The sample includes 807 interviews among landline respondents and 203 interviews among cell phone respondents.

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9. How much of the time do you think you can trust the government in Washington to do what is right -- just about always, most of the time, or only some of the time?

	<u>Just about always</u>	<u>Most of the time</u>	<u>Only some of the time</u>	<u>Never (vol.)</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
September 23-25, 2011	2%	13%	77%	8%	*
September 1-2, 2010	2%	23%	66%	8%	*
February 12-15, 2010	2%	24%	69%	5%	*
December 16-20, 2009	2%	18%	72%	8%	*
December 19-21, 2008	3%	22%	66%	9%	*

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TRENDS**

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

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2006 Jan 6-8	4	28	64	3	1	1990	3	25	68	2	2
2005 Jun 16-19	4	26	65	5	*	1988	4	37	56	2	1
2003 Oct 24-26	4	33	58	4	1	1986	3	35	58	2	2
2002 Sep 2-4	8	38	52	2	*	1984	4	40	53	1	2
2002 Jun 17-19	6	39	51	3	1	1982	2	31	62	2	3
2001 Oct 5-6	13	47	38	1	1	1980	2	23	69	4	2
2000 Jul 6-9	4	38	56	2	*	1978	2	27	64	4	3
1999 Feb 4-8	5	29	64	2	*	1976	3	30	62	1	4
1998 Jan 30-Feb 1	6	33	59	2	*	1974	2	34	61	1	2
1997 May 30-Jun 1	3	29	65	2	1	1972	5	48	44	1	2
1996 May 9-12	2	24	69	4	1	1970	7	47	44	*	2
1995 Aug 4-7	2	20	71	5	2	1968	7	54	37	*	2
1994 Jun 3-6	3	14	73	9	1	1966	17	48	28	3	4
1994 Jan 28-30	1	19	74	5	1	1964	14	62	22	*	2
1993 Mar 22-24	3	20	75	2	*	1958	16	57	23	*	4
1992 Jun 4-8	2	21	71	4	2						

Question 9

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Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Just about always	2%	*	3%	2%	2%
Most of the time	13%	13%	13%	8%	24%
Only some of the time	77%	78%	76%	82%	66%
Never	8%	8%	8%	8%	8%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-6.5

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Just about always	2%	3%	*	3%	1%	2%	2%
Most of the time	13%	23%	10%	7%	9%	17%	8%
Only some of the time	77%	68%	80%	83%	80%	73%	82%
Never	8%	7%	10%	7%	10%	8%	8%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Just about always	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Most of the time	13%	16%	11%	14%	13%
Only some of the time	77%	74%	78%	75%	79%
Never	8%	8%	8%	9%	7%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Just about always	2%	3%	1%	1%	4%	1%	1%
Most of the time	13%	24%	9%	6%	19%	14%	9%
Only some of the time	77%	68%	80%	83%	70%	79%	80%
Never	8%	5%	9%	9%	7%	5%	9%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Just about always	2%	1%	1%	4%	*	2%	2%	2%
Most of the time	13%	16%	11%	13%	11%	16%	15%	8%
Only some of the time	77%	74%	79%	76%	80%	76%	76%	79%
Never	8%	8%	9%	7%	9%	7%	8%	11%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-7.0

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Just about always	2%	*	1%	3%
Most of the time	13%	2%	15%	16%
Only some of the time	77%	84%	77%	74%
Never	8%	14%	6%	7%
No opinion	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0

* percentage less than 1%