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# **CNN | ORC POLL**

**Interviews with 1,015 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on December 16-18, 2011. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. The sample also includes 928 interviews among registered voters (plus or minus 3 percentage points).**

**The sample includes 814 interviews among landline respondents and 201 interviews among cell phone respondents.**

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**FOR RELEASE: TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20 AT NOON**

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

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
December 16-18, 2011	49%	48%	3%
November 18-20, 2011	44%	54%	3%
November 11-13, 2011	46%	52%	2%
October 14-16, 2011	46%	50%	3%
September 23-25, 2011	45%	52%	3%
September 9-11, 2011	43%	55%	2%
August 24-25, 2011	45%	54%	1%
August 5-7, 2011	44%	54%	2%
August 1, 2011	45%	52%	2%
July 18-20, 2011	45%	54%	2%
June 3-7, 2011	48%	48%	5%
May 24-26, 2011	54%	45%	2%
May 2, 2011	52%	43%	5%
April 29-May 1, 2011	51%	46%	3%
April 9-10, 2011	48%	50%	2%
March 18-20, 2011	51%	47%	2%
March 11-13, 2011	50%	47%	3%
Jan. 21-23, 2011	55%	44%	1%
Jan. 14-16, 2011	53%	45%	2%
Dec. 17-19, 2010	48%	48%	4%
Nov. 11-14, 2010	48%	50%	3%
Oct. 27-30, 2010	46%	51%	4%
Oct. 5-7, 2010	45%	52%	3%
Sept. 21-23, 2010	42%	54%	4%
Sept. 1-2, 2010	50%	49%	1%
August 6-10, 2010	47%	51%	2%
July 16-21, 2010	47%	50%	2%
June 16, 2010	50%	48%	2%
May 21-23, 2010	51%	46%	3%
April 9-11, 2010	51%	47%	2%
March 25-28, 2010	51%	48%	1%
March 19-21, 2010	46%	51%	3%
Feb. 12-15, 2010	49%	50%	1%
Jan. 22-24, 2010	49%	50%	*
Jan. 8-10, 2010	51%	48%	1%
Dec. 16-20, 2009	54%	44%	2%
Dec. 2-3, 2009	48%	50%	2%
Nov. 13-15, 2009	55%	42%	3%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	54%	45%	1%
Oct. 16-18, 2009	55%	43%	2%
Sept. 11-13, 2009	58%	40%	2%
August 28-31, 2009	53%	45%	2%
July 31-Aug. 3, 2009	56%	40%	4%
June 26-28, 2009	61%	37%	3%
May 14-17, 2009	62%	35%	3%
April 23-26, 2009	63%	33%	5%
April 3-5, 2009	66%	30%	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?
2. (IF APPROVE) Do you approve strongly, or only moderately?
3. (IF DISAPPROVE) Do you disapprove strongly, or only moderately?

QUESTIONS 1, 2 AND 3 COMBINED

	Dec. 16-18 <u>2011</u>	Jan. 21-23 <u>2011</u>		
Approve strongly	26%	30%		
Approve moderately	24%	24%		
Disapprove moderately	14%	16%		
Disapprove strongly	33%	28%		
No opinion	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%

4. Apart from whether you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president, what do you think of Obama as a person? Would you say you approve of him or disapprove of him?

	Dec. 16-18 <u>2011</u>	June 3-7 <u>2011</u>	Dec. 17-19 <u>2010</u>	Mar. 19-21 <u>2010</u>	Nov. 13-15 <u>2009</u>	June 26-28 <u>2009</u>
Approve	76%	75%	73%	70%	76%	79%
Disapprove	19%	20%	22%	25%	20%	17%
No opinion	5%	5%	5%	5%	4%	4%

CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS FOR COMPARISON

<b>George W. Bush</b>	<i>As a person</i>			<i>Job approval</i>		
	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2003 Nov 14-16	68	27	5	50	47	3
2001 Jul 10-11	70	25	5	57	35	8
2001 Feb 9-11	65	27	8	57	25	18
2001 Jan 5-7*	60	33	7	65	26	9
<b>Bill Clinton</b>	<i>As a person</i>			<i>Job approval</i>		
	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
2001 Jan 5-7	41	54	5	65	31	4
2000 Jul 14-16	36	59	5	59	37	4
2000 Apr 28-30	29	63	8	59	39	2
2000 Mar 10-12	35	59	6	63	34	3
2000 Feb 25-27	32	63	5	57	39	4
2000 Jan 17-19	36	59	5	62	35	3
2000 Jan 7-10	31	64	5	63	35	2
1999 Oct 8-10	35	62	3	56	39	5

5. Do you have more confidence in President Obama or in the Republicans in Congress to deal with the major issues facing the country today?

	Dec. 16-18 <u>2011</u>	Mar. 11-13 <u>2011</u>
Obama	50%	44%
Republicans in Congress	31%	39%
Both equally (vol.)	2%	5%
Neither (vol.)	14%	10%
No opinion	2%	1%

FOR COMPARISON:

<u>CNN/TIME TRENDS</u>					
Do you have more confidence in President Clinton or in the Republicans in Congress to deal with the major issues facing the country today?					
	<u>Clinton</u>	<u>Republicans in Congress</u>	<u>Both equally (vol.)</u>	<u>Neither (vol.)</u>	<u>No Opinion</u>
1998 Sep 23-24	53%	35%	3%	4%	5%
1998 Sep 16-17	52%	35%	2%	6%	5%
1998 Jan 14-15	46%	34%	3%	11%	6%
1997 Feb 5-6	48%	34%	5%	9%	4%
1996 May 8-9	45%	37%	3%	10%	5%
1995 Dec 6-7	49%	35%	3%	8%	5%
1995 Sep 13-14	41%	42%	2%	9%	6%
1995 Apr 27	41%	38%	5%	10%	6%
1995 Mar 29-30	42%	41%	3%	7%	7%
1995 Mar 22-23	36%	43%	3%	13%	5%
1994 Dec 7-8	30%	46%	3%	13%	8%

6. Next, we'd like to get your overall opinion of some political organizations. As I read each one, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of these organizations -- or if you have never heard of them (RANDOM ORDER)

	<u>Favor- able</u>	<u>Unfavor- able</u>	<u>Never heard of</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
<b>The Democratic Party</b>				
December 16-18, 2011	55%	41%	*	3%
June 3-7, 2011	55%	39%	1%	5%
<b>The Republican Party</b>				
December 16-18, 2011	43%	52%	1%	4%
June 3-7, 2011	49%	45%	1%	5%
<b>The Tea Party movement</b>				
December 16-18, 2011	33%	49%	6%	13%
June 3-7, 2011	35%	47%	6%	12%

6A. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
December 16-18, 2011	16%	83%	1%
September 9-11, 2011	15%	84%	1%
August 1, 2011	14%	84%	2%
January 21-23, 2011	26%	72%	2%
January 8-10, 2010	27%	72%	1%
October 16-18, 2009	29%	69%	2%
April 3-5, 2009	35%	63%	2%
February 7-8, 2009	29%	71%	*
October 3-5, 2008	23%	76%	1%
September 19-21, 2008	22%	78%	1%
July 27-29, 2008	22%	77%	1%
October 12-14, 2007	22%	75%	3%
October 6-8, 2006	28%	63%	9%

GALLUP AND CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS

	App	Dis	DK		App	Dis	DK		App	Dis	DK		App	Dis	DK
<b>2006</b>													<b>1992</b>		
2006 Mar 13-16	27	65	8	2002 Nov 11-14	47	39	14	1998 Sep 11-12	55	36	9	1992 Mar 3 ^	18	78	3
2006 Feb 6-9	25	65	10	2002 Oct 3-6	50	40	10	1998 May 8-10	44	48	8	<b>1991</b>			
2006 Jan 9-12	27	67	7	2002 Sep 5-8	52	40	8	1998 Apr 17-19	49	40	11	1991 Oct 10-13	40	54	6
<b>2005</b>				2002 Aug 5-8	46	43	11	1998 Feb 13-15	57	33	10	1991 Jul 25-28	32	53	15
2005 Dec 5-8	29	63	8	2002 Jul 26-28	53	36	11	1998 Jan 30-Feb 1	56	35	9	<b>1990</b>			
2005 Nov 7-10	29	63	8	2002 Jul 9-11	54	36	10	1998 Jan 16-18	42	47	11	1990 Nov 2-4	26	63	11
2005 Oct 13-16	29	64	7	2002 Jun 3-6	52	38	10	<b>1997</b>				1990 Oct 25-28	24	68	8
2005 Sep 12-15	35	59	6	2002 May 6-9	57	33	10	1997 Dec 18-21	39	52	9	1990 Oct 18-21	23	64	13
2005 Aug 8-11	36	58	6	2002 Apr 8-11	57	34	9	1997 Oct 27-29	36	53	11	1990 Oct 11-14	28	65	7
2005 Jul 7-10	36	58	6	2002 Mar 4-7	63	28	9	1997 Aug 22-25	41	48	11	<b>1988</b>			
2005 Jun 6-8	34	59	7	2002 Feb 4-6	62	28	10	1997 Jul 25-27	34	57	9	1988 Sep 9-11	42	42	16
2005 May 2-5	35	57	8	2002 Jan 7-9	62	29	9	1997 May 6-7	32	58	10	<b>1987</b>			
2005 Apr 4-7	38	54	8	<b>2001</b>				1997 Apr 18-20	30	59	11	1987 Aug 24-Sep 2	42	49	9
2005 Mar 7-10	37	53	10	2001 Dec 6-9	72	19	9	1997 Feb 24-26	37	48	15	<b>1986</b>			
2005 Feb 7-10	45	48	7	2001 Nov 8-11	73	19	8	1997 Jan 31-Feb 2	36	51	13	1986 Apr 11-14	42	37	21
2005 Jan 3-5	43	48	9	2001 Oct 11-14	84	10	6	1997 Jan 10-13	41	49	10	<b>1983</b>			
<b>2004</b>				2001 Sep 7-10	42	44	14	<b>1996</b>				1983 Apr 29-May 2	33	43	24
2004 Dec 5-8	41	50	9	2001 Aug 16-19	50	37	13	1996 Oct 26-29	34	51	15	<b>1982</b>			
2004 Nov 7-10	41	52	7	2001 Aug 3-5	47	42	11	1996 Aug 5-7	39	49	12	1982 Jun 11-14	29	54	17
2004 Oct 11-14	40	51	9	2001 Jul 19-22	49	37	14	1996 May 9-12	30	65	5	<b>1981</b>			
2004 Sep 13-15	41	52	7	2001 Jun 11-17	51	34	15	1996 Apr 9-10	35	57	8	1981 Jun 19-22	38	40	22
2004 Aug 9-11	40	52	8	2001 May 10-14	49	34	17	<b>1995</b>				<b>1980</b>			
2004 Jul 8-11	40	53	7	2001 Apr 6-8	55	32	13	1995 Sep 22-24	30	61	9	1980 Jun 13-16	25	56	19
2004 Jun 3-6	41	52	7	2001 Mar 5-7	55	28	17	1995 Aug 28-30	30	60	10	<b>1979</b>			
2004 May 2-4	41	52	7	2001 Feb 1-4	53	32	15	1995 Jul 7-9	35	55	10	1979 Jun 1-4	19	61	20
2004 Apr 5-8	43	51	6	2001 Jan 10-14	50	40	10	1995 May 11-14	34	57	9	<b>1978</b>			
2004 Mar 8-11	42	51	7	<b>2000</b>				1995 Apr 17-19	37	54	9	1978 Sep 8-11	29	49	22
2004 Feb 9-12	41	51	8	2000 Dec 2-4	56	34	10	1995 Mar 27-29	31	61	8	<b>1977</b>			
2004 Jan 12-15	48	45	7	2000 Oct 6-9	49	42	9	1995 Mar 17-19	32	59	9	1977 Sep 9-12	35	44	21
<b>2003</b>				2000 Aug 29-Sep 5	48	42	10	1995 Feb 24-26	35	53	12	1977 Aug 5-8	36	44	20
2003 Dec 11-14	43	50	7	2000 May 18-21	39	52	9	1995 Feb 3-5	38	53	9	1977 Jun 3-6	34	42	24
2003 Nov 3-5	43	51	6	2000 Jan 7-10	51	42	7	1995 Jan 16-18	33	52	15	1977 May 20-23	40	40	20
2003 Oct 6-8	41	51	8	<b>1999</b>				<b>1994</b>				1977 Mar 25-28	36	42	22
2003 Sep 8-10	40	53	7	1999 Sep 23-26	37	56	7	1994 Dec 28-30	23	66	11	<b>1976</b>			
2003 Aug 4-6	45	46	9	1999 Jul 13-14	39	51	10	1994 Oct 22-25	23	70	7	1976 Jan 23-26	24	58	18
2003 Jul 7-9	49	45	6	1999 Jun 11-13	41	53	6	1994 Oct 7-9	21	73	6	<b>1975</b>			
2003 Jun 12-15	50	41	9	1999 Apr 13-14	45	47	8	1994 Jul 15-17	27	65	8	1975 Oct 31-Nov 3	28	54	18
2003 May 5-7	49	44	7	1999 Feb 12-13	41	54	5	1994 Mar 25-27	29	63	8	1975 Jun 27-30	29	54	17
2003 Apr 7-9	58	33	9	1999 Jan 15-17	50	46	4	1994 Feb 26-28	28	66	6	1975 Apr 18-21	38	48	14
2003 Mar 3-5	48	44	8	<b>1998</b>				<b>1993</b>				1975 Feb 28-Mar 3	32	50	18
2003 Feb 3-6	50	39	11	1998 Dec 15-16	42	52	6	1993 Nov 2-4	24	69	8	<b>1974</b>			
2003 Jan 13-16	49	40	11	1998 Nov 13-15	41	54	5	1993 Aug 8-10	23	69	8	1974 Oct 11-14	35	43	22
<b>2002</b>				1998 Oct 29-Nov 1	44	47	9	1993 Jul 19-21	24	65	11	1974 Aug 16-19	47	34	19
2002 Dec 5-8	50	40	10	1998 Oct 9-12	47	46	7	1993 Feb 26-28	27	54	19	1974 Apr 12-15	30	47	23
				1998 Oct 6-7	44	48	8								





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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		
Approve	49%	47%	52%	40%	72%		
Disapprove	48%	51%	44%	57%	27%		
No opinion	3%	2%	3%	3%	1%		
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0		

  

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	49%	55%	51%	50%	38%	53%	45%
Disapprove	48%	40%	49%	48%	59%	44%	52%
No opinion	3%	5%	1%	2%	3%	3%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

  

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	49%	51%	50%	46%	51%
Disapprove	48%	46%	48%	53%	45%
No opinion	3%	3%	2%	1%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

  

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	49%	82%	44%	15%	77%	53%	31%
Disapprove	48%	16%	51%	83%	19%	45%	66%
No opinion	3%	1%	4%	1%	4%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

  

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	49%	54%	49%	46%	51%	54%	48%	35%
Disapprove	48%	45%	48%	52%	44%	43%	50%	60%
No opinion	3%	1%	3%	2%	5%	2%	2%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5

  

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Approve	49%	9%	48%	80%
Disapprove	48%	89%	48%	19%
No opinion	3%	2%	4%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 1/2/3

Q1. Do you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president?

Q2. Do you approve strongly, or only moderately?

Q3. Do you disapprove strongly, or only moderately?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Approve strongly	26%	22%	29%	17%	45%
Approve moderately	23%	24%	23%	22%	27%
Disapprove moderately	15%	16%	13%	14%	15%
Disapprove strongly	33%	36%	31%	42%	12%
No opinion	3%	2%	3%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve strongly	26%	25%	26%	28%	23%	26%	26%
Approve moderately	23%	30%	25%	22%	15%	27%	19%
Disapprove moderately	15%	22%	13%	12%	9%	18%	11%
Disapprove strongly	33%	18%	35%	36%	50%	26%	42%
No opinion	3%	5%	1%	2%	3%	3%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve strongly	26%	27%	26%	28%	24%
Approve moderately	23%	24%	24%	19%	27%
Disapprove moderately	15%	18%	12%	17%	13%
Disapprove strongly	33%	29%	36%	36%	32%
No opinion	3%	3%	2%	1%	4%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve strongly	26%	55%	16%	6%	42%	24%	20%
Approve moderately	23%	27%	29%	9%	36%	29%	11%
Disapprove moderately	15%	9%	18%	14%	13%	21%	9%
Disapprove strongly	33%	7%	33%	69%	5%	24%	57%
No opinion	3%	2%	4%	1%	4%	2%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve strongly	26%	25%	25%	29%	23%	30%	24%	16%
Approve moderately	23%	28%	24%	17%	29%	24%	24%	19%
Disapprove moderately	15%	19%	13%	13%	14%	18%	14%	11%
Disapprove strongly	33%	26%	35%	39%	29%	26%	36%	48%
No opinion	3%	1%	3%	2%	5%	2%	2%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Approve strongly	26%	4%	25%	43%
Approve moderately	23%	6%	23%	36%
Disapprove moderately	15%	12%	20%	8%
Disapprove strongly	33%	77%	28%	11%
No opinion	3%	2%	4%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

\* percentage less than 1%

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Question 4

Apart from whether you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling his job as president, what do you think of Obama as a person? Would you say you approve of him or disapprove of him?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Approve	76%	74%	78%	69%	91%
Disapprove	19%	20%	18%	24%	7%
No opinion	5%	6%	4%	7%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	76%	86%	78%	72%	63%	82%	68%
Disapprove	19%	9%	17%	22%	31%	13%	25%
No opinion	5%	5%	4%	6%	7%	5%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	76%	79%	75%	74%	77%
Disapprove	19%	16%	20%	21%	17%
No opinion	5%	5%	5%	5%	6%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	76%	95%	77%	49%	94%	85%	57%
Disapprove	19%	3%	20%	38%	5%	12%	33%
No opinion	5%	2%	4%	13%	1%	3%	10%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	76%	83%	71%	75%	76%	80%	74%	67%
Disapprove	19%	12%	22%	20%	20%	16%	19%	29%
No opinion	5%	5%	7%	5%	4%	4%	7%	5%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Approve	76%	45%	79%	93%
Disapprove	19%	47%	15%	4%
No opinion	5%	8%	6%	3%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

\* percentage less than 1%

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Question 5

Do you have more confidence in President Obama or in the Republicans in Congress to deal with the major issues facing the country today?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Obama	50%	47%	53%	42%	70%
Republicans in Congress	31%	31%	31%	36%	20%
Both equally	2%	3%	2%	3%	2%
Neither	14%	16%	12%	18%	6%
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Obama	50%	56%	50%	52%	39%	53%	47%
Republicans in Congress	31%	25%	32%	30%	42%	28%	35%
Both equally	2%	4%	4%	1%	1%	4%	1%
Neither	14%	12%	14%	16%	16%	13%	16%
No opinion	2%	4%	*	1%	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Obama	50%	53%	50%	46%	53%
Republicans in Congress	31%	28%	33%	34%	30%
Both equally	2%	3%	3%	3%	2%
Neither	14%	14%	14%	15%	14%
No opinion	2%	3%	1%	1%	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Obama	50%	85%	47%	11%	84%	52%	31%
Republicans in Congress	31%	6%	28%	70%	6%	25%	52%
Both equally	2%	2%	3%	3%	1%	3%	2%
Neither	14%	5%	20%	14%	7%	17%	14%
No opinion	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Obama	50%	55%	49%	47%	52%	57%	46%	39%
Republicans in Congress	31%	26%	33%	33%	31%	27%	34%	41%
Both equally	2%	6%	2%	2%	1%	1%	3%	4%
Neither	14%	12%	15%	15%	15%	13%	16%	15%
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Obama	50%	7%	49%	83%
Republicans in Congress	31%	72%	28%	6%
Both equally	2%	3%	4%	*
Neither	14%	18%	16%	10%
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 6A

Next, we'd like to get your overall opinion of some political organizations. As I read each one, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of these people -- or if you have never heard of them.

A. The Democratic Party

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Favorable Opinion	55%	48%	62%	48%	73%
Unfavorable Opinion	41%	47%	36%	49%	22%
Heard of, No Opinion	3%	4%	2%	3%	4%
Never heard of	*	1%	*	*	2%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Favorable Opinion	55%	65%	48%	59%	45%	57%	54%
Unfavorable Opinion	41%	29%	48%	39%	52%	38%	44%
Heard of, No Opinion	3%	6%	2%	2%	1%	4%	2%
Never heard of	*	*	1%	*	1%	*	1%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Favorable Opinion	55%	57%	57%	50%	59%
Unfavorable Opinion	41%	38%	41%	46%	37%
Heard of, No Opinion	3%	5%	2%	2%	4%
Never heard of	*	1%	*	1%	*
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Favorable Opinion	55%	91%	49%	17%	84%	58%	37%
Unfavorable Opinion	41%	7%	46%	78%	12%	37%	61%
Heard of, No Opinion	3%	*	5%	4%	4%	3%	3%
Never heard of	*	1%	*	1%	*	1%	*
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Favorable Opinion	55%	62%	56%	49%	56%	59%	50%	55%
Unfavorable Opinion	41%	33%	41%	45%	43%	36%	47%	43%
Heard of, No Opinion	3%	4%	2%	4%	1%	4%	2%	2%
Never heard of	*	1%	*	1%	*	*	1%	1%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Favorable Opinion	55%	10%	60%	79%
Unfavorable Opinion	41%	84%	35%	20%
Heard of, No Opinion	3%	3%	5%	1%
Never heard of	*	2%	*	*
No opinion	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 6B

Next, we'd like to get your overall opinion of some political organizations. As I read each one, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of these people -- or if you have never heard of them.

B. The Republican Party

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Favorable Opinion	43%	43%	43%	48%	31%
Unfavorable Opinion	52%	51%	52%	47%	63%
Heard of, No Opinion	4%	5%	4%	4%	4%
Never heard of	1%	1%	*	*	2%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Favorable Opinion	43%	41%	44%	39%	52%	42%	44%
Unfavorable Opinion	52%	53%	49%	59%	44%	51%	53%
Heard of, No Opinion	4%	6%	6%	1%	4%	6%	2%
Never heard of	1%	1%	1%	*	1%	1%	*
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Favorable Opinion	43%	39%	48%	46%	41%
Unfavorable Opinion	52%	54%	49%	49%	54%
Heard of, No Opinion	4%	6%	2%	4%	4%
Never heard of	1%	1%	1%	1%	*
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Favorable Opinion	43%	12%	43%	84%	11%	42%	63%
Unfavorable Opinion	52%	86%	50%	10%	81%	54%	33%
Heard of, No Opinion	4%	1%	6%	5%	8%	3%	4%
Never heard of	1%	1%	*	1%	*	1%	1%
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Favorable Opinion	43%	36%	46%	44%	46%	39%	47%	48%
Unfavorable Opinion	52%	60%	48%	50%	51%	56%	50%	44%
Heard of, No Opinion	4%	3%	5%	6%	3%	4%	2%	8%
Never heard of	1%	1%	*	1%	*	*	1%	*
No opinion	*	*	*	*	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Favorable Opinion	43%	78%	44%	19%
Unfavorable Opinion	52%	15%	50%	80%
Heard of, No Opinion	4%	5%	6%	1%
Never heard of	1%	2%	*	*
No opinion	*	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

\* percentage less than 1%

Question 6C

Next, we'd like to get your overall opinion of some political organizations. As I read each one, please say if you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of these people -- or if you have never heard of them.

C. The Tea Party movement

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Favorable Opinion	33%	35%	31%	38%	22%
Unfavorable Opinion	49%	47%	50%	46%	55%
Heard of, No Opinion	12%	11%	13%	12%	11%
Never heard of	6%	6%	6%	4%	10%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	*	2%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Favorable Opinion	33%	27%	32%	34%	42%	30%	37%
Unfavorable Opinion	49%	45%	53%	54%	40%	48%	48%
Heard of, No Opinion	12%	16%	11%	10%	11%	14%	10%
Never heard of	6%	10%	4%	3%	6%	7%	4%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	*	1%	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Favorable Opinion	33%	33%	33%	39%	29%
Unfavorable Opinion	49%	41%	55%	38%	56%
Heard of, No Opinion	12%	15%	9%	13%	11%
Never heard of	6%	11%	1%	9%	4%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	*	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Favorable Opinion	33%	12%	34%	58%	16%	26%	51%
Unfavorable Opinion	49%	71%	45%	25%	64%	58%	31%
Heard of, No Opinion	12%	9%	13%	13%	11%	11%	12%
Never heard of	6%	6%	8%	3%	8%	5%	6%
No opinion	1%	1%	*	1%	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Favorable Opinion	33%	27%	37%	35%	32%	32%	36%	36%
Unfavorable Opinion	49%	56%	38%	49%	50%	51%	47%	41%
Heard of, No Opinion	12%	12%	17%	10%	10%	12%	11%	15%
Never heard of	6%	5%	8%	5%	6%	5%	6%	9%
No opinion	1%	*	*	*	2%	*	*	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Favorable Opinion	33%	89%	26%	5%
Unfavorable Opinion	49%	8%	37%	93%
Heard of, No Opinion	12%	2%	24%	1%
Never heard of	6%	*	12%	1%
No opinion	1%	*	1%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

\* percentage less than 1%

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Question 6A

Do you approve or disapprove of the way Congress is handling its job?

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Approve	16%	14%	18%	14%	21%
Disapprove	83%	85%	81%	85%	78%
No opinion	1%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-4.5	+/-4.5	+/-3.5	+/-7.0

	Total	18-34	35-49	50-64	65+	Under 50	50 and Older
Approve	16%	27%	12%	10%	12%	20%	11%
Disapprove	83%	72%	86%	89%	87%	79%	88%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-8.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.5	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	16%	21%	12%	18%	14%
Disapprove	83%	77%	88%	81%	84%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	16%	16%	15%	18%	12%	17%	16%
Disapprove	83%	83%	83%	81%	86%	82%	82%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%	2%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-4.5	+/-6.0	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	16%	21%	17%	15%	12%	17%	16%	15%
Disapprove	83%	78%	82%	84%	86%	82%	82%	85%
No opinion	1%	2%	1%	1%	1%	1%	2%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Approve	16%	15%	21%	9%
Disapprove	83%	84%	77%	90%
No opinion	1%	1%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

\* percentage less than 1%