

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.

Interviews with 1,021 adult Americans conducted by telephone by ORC International on January 11-12, 2012. 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 770 interviews among landline respondents and 251 interviews among cell phone respondents.

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

	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	<u>No opinion</u>
January 11-12, 2012	11%	86%	2%
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
2006													1992		
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	1991			
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
2005				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	1990			
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	1997				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	1988			
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
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2005 Mar 7-10	37	53	10	2001 Dec 6-9	72	19	9	1997 Feb 24-26	37	48	15	1986			
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2004 Dec 5-8	41	50	9	2001 Aug 16-19	50	37	13	1996 Oct 26-29	34	51	15	1982			
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2004 Apr 5-8	43	51	6	2001 Jan 10-14	50	40	10	1995 May 11-14	34	57	9	1978			
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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
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2003 Sep 8-10	40	53	7	1999 Sep 23-26	37	56	7	1994 Dec 28-30	23	66	11	1976			
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	1975			
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	1998				1993				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	1974			
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
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Question 2

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

Base = Total Sample

	Total	Men	Women	White	Non-White
Approve	11%	10%	13%	8%	20%
Disapprove	86%	87%	85%	90%	78%
No opinion	2%	3%	2%	2%	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	11%	19%	9%	8%	9%	14%	8%
Disapprove	86%	78%	90%	91%	89%	84%	90%
No opinion	2%	4%	*	1%	2%	2%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-7.5	+/-7.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-4.0

	Total	Under \$50K	\$50K or more	No College	Attended College
Approve	11%	13%	12%	11%	12%
Disapprove	86%	85%	88%	86%	87%
No opinion	2%	2%	1%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.0	+/-4.5	+/-5.5	+/-3.5

	Total	Democrat	Independent	Republican	Liberal	Moderate	Conservative
Approve	11%	16%	9%	10%	17%	11%	10%
Disapprove	86%	82%	88%	89%	79%	88%	90%
No opinion	2%	2%	3%	1%	5%	1%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-5.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.0	+/-5.0

	Total	North east	Mid-west	South	West	Urban	Sub-urban	Rural
Approve	11%	14%	11%	13%	7%	13%	12%	9%
Disapprove	86%	86%	87%	84%	90%	87%	84%	90%
No opinion	2%	1%	2%	3%	3%	1%	3%	1%
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.5	+/-6.5	+/-5.5	+/-6.5	+/-6.0	+/-4.5	+/-6.5

	Total	Tea Pty Support	Tea Pty Neutral	Tea Pty Oppose
Approve	11%	10%	16%	6%
Disapprove	86%	90%	81%	93%
No opinion	2%	1%	3%	*
Sampling Error	+/-3.0	+/-6.0	+/-5.0	+/-5.5

* percentage less than 1%