

Interviews with 1,018 adult Americans conducted by telephone by Opinion Research Corporation on July 16-21, 2010. The margin of sampling error for results based on the total sample is plus or minus 3 percentage points. Results in this document labelled "All Americans" or "Total" are based on this sample of 1,018 adults.

Additional interviews were conducted among African-Americans, and combined with the African-Americans contacted in the initial sample of 1,018 for a total of 308 African-American respondents. The margin of sampling error for results based on this sample of African-Americans is plus or minus 5.5 percentage points.

Additional interviews were also conducted among Hispanics, and combined with the Hispanics contacted in the initial sample of 1,018 for a total of 303 Hispanic respondents. The margin of sampling error for results based on this sample of Hispanics is plus or minus 5.5 percentage points.

Columns in this document labeled "Whites" show results only for the 757 respondents in the initial sample who described themselves as white in a question on racial background and did not describe themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity. (Sampling error for non-Hispanic whites is +/-3.5 percentage points.) Columns in this document labeled "Blacks" refer to all respondents who described themselves as black or African-American and did not describe themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity. Columns in this document labeled "Hispanics" refer to all respondents who described themselves as Hispanic or Latino in a separate question on ethnicity regardless of their race.

Trend results for racial groups are shown only for polls which had enough African-American and Hispanic respondents to produce statistically valid results.

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

	All			
	<u>Americans</u>	Blacks	<b>Hispanics</b>	Whites
The economy				
Approve	42%	85%	41%	34%
Disapprove	57%	15%	58%	66%
No opinion	*	*	1%	*
Health care policy				
Approve	44%	85%	56%	33%
Disapprove	54%	15%	41%	64%
No opinion	2%	*	3%	2%
The situation in Afghanistan				
Approve	46%	72%	41%	41%
Disapprove	51%	27%	55%	56%
No opinion	3%	1%	4%	3%
The situation in Iraq				
Approve	49%	78%	44%	44%
Disapprove	49%	22%	53%	53%
No opinion	2%	*	2%	2%
Terrorism				
Approve	52%	84%	57%	47%
Disapprove	46%	15%	42%	51%
No opinion	2%	1%	*%	2%
The federal budget deficit				
Approve	36%	78%	41%	27%
Disapprove	62%	19%	57%	72%
No opinion	2%	3%	2%	2%
Illegal immigration				
Approve	38%	73%	43%	29%
Disapprove	59%	24%	55%	68%
No opinion	3%	3%	2%	3%
Race relations				
Approve	60%	94%	58%	54%
Disapprove	34%	5%	34%	39%
No opinion	6%	1%	8%	6%
The situation in the Gulf of Mexico				
Approve	45%	75%	41%	40%
Disapprove	53%	24%	53%	58%
No opinion	2%	1%	6%	2%

RESULTS FOR ECONOMY AND RACE RELATIONS PREVIOUSLY RELEASED TRENDS FOR ALL AMERICANS ON NEXT PAGE

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Ti	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	No opinion
The economy 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%
Health care policy			
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%
The situation in Afghanistan			
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%
The situation in Iraq			
July 16-21, 2010	49%	49%	2%
March 19-21, 2010	51%	46%	2%
January 8-10, 2010	53%	43%	3%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009*	44%	53%	3%
March 12-15, 2009*	63%	35%	2%
Terrorism			
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%

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	<u>Approve</u>	<u>Disapprove</u>	No opinion
The federal budget deficit			_
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%
Illegal immigration			
July 16-21, 2010	38%	59%	3%
March 19-21, 2010	37%	56%	7%
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2009	36%	58%	6%
Race relations			
July 16-21, 2010	60%	34%	6%
August 28-31, 2009	66%	26%	8%
The situation in the Gulf of Mexico			
July 16-21, 2010	45%	53%	2%

<sup>\*</sup>ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE.

NOTE: RESULST ON RACE RELATIONS RELEASE ON THURSDAY.

- 5. If the elections for Congress were being held today, which party's candidate would you vote for in your Congressional district?
- 6. (IF UNSURE:) As of today, who do you lean more toward?

### **QUESTIONS 5 AND 6 COMBINED**

	Democratic candidate	Republican candidate	Neither (vol.)	No opinion
ALL REGISTERED VOTERS				
July 16-21, 2010	44%	49%	6%	1%
Blacks	82%	14%	3%	*
Hispanics	54%	39%	4%	3%
Whites	37%	57%	5%	1%
May 21-23, 2010	47%	46%	6%	1%
April 9-11, 2010	50%	46%	4%	1%
March 25-28, 2010	45%	49%	4%	2%
March 19-21, 2010	45%	48%	5%	2%
February 12-15, 2010	45%	47%	6%	2%
Jan. 8-10, 2010	45%	48%	6%	1%
Nov. 13-15, 2009	49%	43%	6%	3%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	50%	44%	5%	2%
ALL RESPONDENTS				
July 16-21, 2010	44%	50%	5%	1%
Blacks	82%	14%	3%	*
Hispanics	50%	42%	5%	3%
Whites	36%	59%	5%	1%
May 21-23, 2010	48%	44%	8%	1%
April 9-11, 2010	50%	45%	4%	2%
March 25-28, 2010	46%	48%	4%	2%
March 19-21, 2010	46%	46%	6%	3%
February 12-15, 2010	46%	46%	5%	3%
Jan. 8-10, 2010	45%	46%	6%	2%
Nov. 13-15, 2009	49%	42%	7%	2%
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	51%	41%	6%	2%

How enthusiastic would you say you are about voting for Congress this year -- extremely enthusiastic, very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not at all 7. enthusiastic?

	Extremely enthusiastic	Very enthusiastic	Somewhat enthusiastic	Not too enthusiastic	Not at all enthusiastic	No opinion
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ALL REGISTERED VO	TERS					
July 16-21, 2010	15%	19%	37%	17%	11%	1%
Blacks	12%	19%	42%	9%	17%	*
Hispanics	15%	21%	35%	16%	13%	*
Whites	14%	19%	37%	19%	11%	*
May 21-23, 2010	17%	25%	29%	15%	14%	*
March 25-28, 2010	24%	21%	32%	12%	11%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	20%	20%	35%	16%	10%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	22%	20%	32%	16%	9%	*
Registered Democrats						
July 16-21, 2010	11%	16%	41%	19%	12%	*
May 21-23, 2010	10%	22%	35%	18%	15%	*
March 25-28, 2010	17%	19%	40%	14%	9%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	13%	18%	42%	17%	10%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	17%	25%	34%	17%	6%	1%
Registered Republicans						
July 16-21, 2010	19%	23%	34%	14%	10%	*
May 21-23, 2010	25%	29%	24%	12%	10%	*
March 25-28, 2010	32%	23%	24%	10%	11%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	25%	24%	30%	14%	7%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	26%	17%	33%	16%	8%	*
ALL RESPONDENTS						
July 16-21, 2010	13%	20%	37%	16%	13%	*
Blacks	11%	19%	42%	9%	19%	*
Hispanics	12%	19%	39%	15%	16%	*
Whites	13%	19%	36%	19%	13%	*
May 21-23, 2010	15%	22%	29%	16%	17%	*
March 25-28, 2010	22%	20%	33%	12%	13%	1%
January 8-10, 2010	19%	19%	35%	16%	11%	*
Oct. 30-Nov. 1, 2009	21%	20%	32%	16%	10%	*

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#### FOR COMPARISON

How enthusiastic would you say you are about voting **for President** this year -- extremely enthusiastic, very enthusiastic, somewhat enthusiastic, not too enthusiastic, or not at all enthusiastic?

	Extremely enthusiastic	Very enthusiastic	Somewhat enthusiastic	Not too enthusiastic	Not at all enthusiastic	No opinion
REGISTERED VOTERS						
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2008	37%	32%	16%	7%	8%	*
Oct. 17-19, 2008	34%	24%	23%	11%	8%	*
Sept. 5-7, 2008	30%	30%	23%	11%	6%	*
Aug. 29-31, 2008	31%	27%	19%	15%	8%	*
Aug. 23-24, 2008	26%	23%	28%	13%	11%	*
June 4-5, 2008	23%	27%	24%	14%	12%	*
Jan. 14-17, 2008	37%	26%	24%	8%	4%	*
June 23-24, 2007	26%	28%	27%	13%	6%	*
Republicans						
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2008	28%	32%	19%	9%	12%	*
Oct. 17-19, 2008	24%	26%	27%	12%	10%	*
Sept. 5-7, 2008	26%	28%	26%	15%	4%	*
Aug. 29-31, 2008	24%	25%	23%	19%	9%	*
Aug. 23-24, 2008	22%	21%	30%	16%	11%	*
June 4-5, 2008	13%	24%	27%	21%	15%	*
Jan. 14-17, 2008	33%	24%	29%	9%	5%	*
June 23-24, 2007	27%	25%	27%	16%	6%	*
Democrats						
Oct. 30 - Nov. 1, 2008	45%	34%	13%	4%	3%	*
Oct. 17-19, 2008	45%	23%	20%	7%	5%	*
Sept. 5-7, 2008	36%	30%	21%	6%	6%	*
Aug. 29-31, 2008	37%	30%	17%	11%	6%	*
Aug. 23-24, 2008	30%	26%	25%	11%	7%	*
June 4-5, 2008	32%	31%	21%	8%	8%	*
Jan. 14-17, 2008	41%	27%	22%	6%	3%	*
June 23-24, 2007	28%	32%	27%	9%	4%	*

8. Overall, would you describe the views and policies of each of the following as too extreme, or as generally mainstream?

	July 16-21, 2010				
	All <u>Americans</u>	Blacks	<u>Hispanics</u>	Whites	
The Republican Party Too extreme Generally mainstream Mixed/Neither (vol.) No opinion	39% 56% 4% 1%	57% 38% 2% 3%	43% 54% 3% *	34% 62% 4% 1%	
CNN/USA TODAY/GALLUP TRENDS					
The Republican Party 2004 Sep 3-5 2004 Jul 30-Aug 1 2000 Aug 18-19	exti	Too reme 34 40 36	Generally mainstream  62 55 56	Mixed/ Neither (vol.)	No opinion  3 3 5
2000 Aug 18-19 2000 Aug 4-5		33	58	3	6
	All				
	Americans	Blacks	<u>Hispanics</u>	Whites	
The Democratic Party					
Too extreme Generally mainstream Mixed/Neither (vol.) No opinion	43% 54% 3% 1%	19% 75% 3% 2%	27% 70% 3% *	51% 47% 2% *	
	CNN/US	SA TODAY	GALLUP TREN	<u>IDS</u>	
The Democratic Party 2004 Sep 3-5 2004 Jul 30-Aug 1 2000 Aug 18-19 2000 Aug 4-5		33 34 26 25	62 62 67 66	2 2 3 3	3 2 4 6
	A 11	<u>July 16</u>	<u>-21, 2010</u>		
	All Americans	Blacks	<u>Hispanics</u>	Whites	
The Tea Party movement Too extreme Generally mainstream Mixed/Neither (vol.) No opinion	47% 43% 5% 5%	58% 35% 3% 4%	41% 39% 7% 13%	45% 46% 5% 4%	

19. Thinking about the health care bill that Congress passed earlier this year, which of the following statements best describes your view of what Congress should do in the future? (RANDOM ORDER)

	ALL AMERICANS			
	July 16-21	Mar. 25-28		
	<u>2010</u>	<u>2010</u>		
Congress should leave the bill as it is Congress should make additional changes to increase the government's involvement	20%	23%		
in the nation's health care system Congress should repeal most of the major	30%	27%		
provisions in that bill and replace them with a completely different set of proposals	48%	47%		
No opinion	2%	3%		
		July 16-21, 2010		
	Blacks	<u>Hispanics</u>	Whites	
Congress should leave the bill as it is Congress should make additional changes	41%	24%	17%	
to increase the government's involvement in the nation's health care system	40%	40%	25%	
Congress should repeal most of the major provisions in that bill and replace them with				
a completely different set of proposals	18%	33%	56%	
No opinion	1%	3%	1%	

<sup>\*</sup>QUESTION WORDING FOR MARCH, 2010: Thinking about the health care bill that Congress passed this week, which of the following statements best describes your view of what Congress should do in the future?

36. As you may know, Congress has passed legislation that would increase federal regulation over banks, Wall Street investors, and other financial institutions. Based on what you have read or heard about this, do you favor or oppose this legislation? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 501 INTERVIEWS IN VERSION A. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

	July 16-21 <u>2010</u>	May 21-23 2010*	Mar. 19-21 2010*
Favor	58%	60%	53%
Oppose	39%	38%	43%
No opinion	3%	2%	4%

<sup>\*</sup>QUESTION WORDING FOR MARCH AND MAY 2010: As you may know, Congress is considering legislation that would increase federal regulation over banks, Wall Street investors, and other financial institutions. Based on what you have read or heard about this, do you favor or oppose this legislation?

- 37. Generally speaking, do you approve or disapprove of government regulation of business?
- 38. (IF APPROVE OR DISAPPROVE) Do you feel strongly about that, or not so strongly? (ASKED OF HALF SAMPLE. RESULTS BASED ON 508INTERVIEWS IN VERSION B. SAMPLING ERROR: +/- 4.5 PERCENTAGE POINTS.)

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Approve strongly	30%
Approve not so strongly	25%
Disapprove not so strongly	9%
Disapprove strongly	36%
No opinion	1%

#### LOS ANGELES TIMES TRENDS

	Approve strongly	Approve somewhat	Disapprove somewhat	Disapprove strongly	No opinion
1984 Apr 28-May 3	12	27	26	26	9
1982 Jan 3-7	13	20	24	30	13