

Sample 1000 General Population Respondents
 Conducted August 9-11, 2009
 Margin of Error ±4.9%

1. Do you have a favorable or an unfavorable opinion of the following people?

	Very favorable	Somewhat favorable	Somewhat unfavorable	Very unfavorable	Not sure
Hillary Clinton	22%	31%	15%	23%	9%
Bill Clinton	29%	30%	17%	19%	6%
John McCain	12%	29%	27%	22%	10%
Barack Obama	34%	19%	9%	32%	6%
George W. Bush	14%	23%	14%	43%	6%
Dick Cheney	11%	19%	17%	41%	13%
Joe Biden	15%	26%	16%	25%	17%
Al Gore	20%	26%	15%	28%	11%

2. How do you think Bill Clinton will go down in history?

Outstanding president	13%
Above average president	33%
Average president	35%
Below average president	11%
Poor president	7%

3. How do you think George W. Bush will go down in history?

Outstanding president	2%
Above average president	14%
Average president	21%
Below average president	23%
Poor president	40%

4. How serious a threat do you think North Korea poses to the U.S.?

An immediate and serious threat to the U.S.	18%
A somewhat serious threat to the U.S.	46%
A minor threat to the U.S.	20%
Not a threat to the U.S.	4%
Not sure	11%

5. How much have you heard or read about former President Bill Clinton’s trip to North Korea and the release of two U.S. journalists who had been sentenced to 12 years of hard labor there?

A lot	41%
A little	48%
Nothing at all	12%

6. How do you think this trip to North Korea by former President Bill Clinton will affect relations between the U.S. and North Korea in the future? (Asked of respondents who have heard a little or a lot about Bill Clinton’s trip)

Will improve relations	35%
Will have no real effect	56%
Will make them worse	9%

7. How much have you heard or read about "Cash for Clunkers" – the government program that provides up to \$4,500 towards the purchase of a new car to replace an older, less fuel efficient car or truck?

A lot	60%
A little	34%
Nothing at all	6%

8. The "Cash for Clunkers" program began in July. Do you know anyone who has used the program to buy a new car?

- Yes, I have personally 2%
- Yes, I know someone else who has 10%
- No 88%

9. Do you know anyone who is thinking of using the program to buy a new car?

- Yes, I am personally 3%
- Yes, I know someone else who is 18%
- No 78%

10. Congress has just appropriated an additional \$2 billion towards the "Cash for Clunkers" program because the original \$1 billion was running out. Do you approve of disapprove of Congress doing this?

- Favor 37%
- Oppose 38%
- Not sure 26%

11. The "Cash for Clunkers" program had several goals, including stimulating the economy as more people buy new cars, and improving the environment as many less fuel-efficient cars are taken off the road. Do you think the "Cash for Clunkers" program will help stimulate the economy...

- Significantly 14%
- A small amount 57%
- Not at all 29%

12. Do you think the "Cash for Clunkers" program will help improve the environment...

- Significantly 14%
- A small amount 49%
- Not at all 37%

13. About six months ago, Congress passed President Obama’s \$787 billion economic stimulus bill. Do you think the stimulus bill is working?

Yes	24%
No	48%
Not sure	28%

14. From what you know so far, which comes closest to your own view about the economic stimulus package?

It has already created a substantial number of new jobs in the U.S.	5%
It will create a substantial number of new jobs in the U.S. but hasn’t done that yet.	43%
It will not create a substantial number of new jobs.	52%

15. If President Obama and Congress pass a health care reform plan, do you think you personally would receive better or worse care than you receive now?

Better care	15%
About the same	30%
Worse care	38%
Not sure	16%

16. Do you think you personally would pay more, either in taxes or insurance costs, if President Obama and Congress pass a health care reform plan?

Pay more	54%
About the same	23%
Pay less	9%
Not sure	15%

17. Overall, if the President Obama and Congress pass health care reform, do you think you personally would be better or worse off?

Better off	20%
About the same	27%
Worse off	41%
Not sure	13%

18. Recently, there have been protests at town hall meetings conducted by members of Congress by people opposed to health care reform. Do you have a favorable or unfavorable opinion of the people protesting health care reform?

Favorable	33%
Neither favorable nor unfavorable	40%
Unfavorable	26%

19. Do you think the majority of the public favors or opposes health care reform?

Favors	25%
Evenly split	38%
Opposes	37%

20. How important are the following issues to you?

	Very Important	Somewhat Important	Not Very Important	Unimportant
The war in Iraq	43%	39%	14%	4%
The economy	82%	16%	2%	0%
Immigration	47%	31%	17%	5%
The environment	46%	35%	14%	6%
Terrorism	57%	31%	10%	2%
Gay rights	15%	22%	27%	35%
Education	64%	27%	7%	2%
Health care	67%	25%	7%	1%
Social security	64%	32%	4%	1%
The budget deficit	59%	34%	6%	0%

21. Which of these is the most important issue for you?

The war in Iraq	3%
The economy	40%
Immigration	9%
The environment	4%
Terrorism	4%
Gay rights	2%
Education	6%
Health care	13%
Social security	11%
The budget deficit	8%

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

Strongly approve	26%
Somewhat approve	23%
Somewhat disapprove	12%
Strongly disapprove	31%
Not sure	9%

23. Overall, do you approve of the way the U.S. Congress is handling its job?

Strongly approve	2%
Somewhat approve	17%
Neither approve nor disapprove	17%
Somewhat disapprove	20%
Strongly disapprove	36%
Not sure	8%

24. Do you think the current Congress has accomplished more or less than Congress usually does during its first seven months?

More than usual	23%
About the same	51%
Less than usual	26%

25. If the 2010 elections for U.S. Congress were being held today, who would you vote for in the district where you live?

Republican	29%
Lean Republican	7%
Lean Democrat	8%
Democrat	38%
Not Sure	18%

26. Would you say things in this country today are ...

Generally headed in the right direction	37%
Off on the wrong track	48%
Not sure	14%

27. What do you think is more of a threat?

Big business	35%
Big government	65%

28. Overall, do you think the economy is getting better or worse?

Getting better	26%
About the same	33%
Getting worse	34%
Not sure	7%

29. Would you say that you and your family are...

Better off financially than you were a year ago	8%
About the same financially as you were a year ago	40%
Worse off financially than you were a year ago	48%
Not sure	4%

30. Do you think the stock market will be higher or lower 12 months from now?

Higher	37%
About the same	28%
Lower	16%
Not sure	19%

31. Below are some issues facing the country. For each one, indicate whether you approve or disapprove of the way Barack Obama is handling that issue.

	Strongly Approve	Somewhat Approve	Somewhat Disapprove	Strongly Disapprove	No Opinion
War in Iraq	18%	33%	18%	18%	13%
Economy	22%	25%	12%	32%	9%
Immigration	9%	23%	14%	30%	24%
Environment	18%	33%	10%	23%	16%
Terrorism	16%	31%	12%	24%	17%
Gay Rights	6%	23%	14%	20%	37%
Education	18%	31%	12%	17%	22%
Health Care	20%	24%	10%	37%	9%
Social Security	12%	24%	13%	25%	25%

32. Which of these words would you use to describe Barack Obama?

	Yes	No Opinion	No
Honest	34%	39%	27%
Intelligent	63%	28%	9%
Religious	14%	58%	28%
Inspiring	40%	43%	17%
Patriotic	28%	49%	23%
Strong	37%	50%	14%
Bold	38%	52%	10%
Experienced	12%	44%	44%
Sincere	38%	36%	27%
Partisan	20%	59%	20%
Effective	28%	51%	22%
Unifying	22%	53%	25%
In Touch	31%	43%	26%
Realistic	30%	40%	30%
Decisive	30%	56%	15%

33. Would you say Barack Obama is ...

Very liberal	36%
Somewhat liberal	20%
Moderate	21%
Somewhat conservative	4%
Very conservative	3%
Not sure	16%

34. Do you think Barack Obama ...

Says what he believes	50%
Says what he thinks people want to hear	50%

35. Regardless of whether you agree with him, do you like Barack Obama as a person?

Like a lot	39%
Like somewhat	24%
Dislike	22%
Not sure	15%